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Publication of CPS Conference on Social Action

"Until there be correct thought, there can be no right action; and when there is correct thought, right action will follow." - Henry George

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CPS 114
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"NATIONAL SERVICE"

President Roosevelt has asked the Congress of the United States to enact a National Service Act. What this means is clear enough to those who were already aware of the threat to American ideals presented by the pending Austin-Wadsworth bill, which was offered to Congress some months ago. The reactionary, Hitlerian forces which brought this country to the acceptance of military conscription in peacetime have not been satisfied with their accomplishments, nor have they been asleep since 1940. And now, when people in general are so obviously disgusted with the war and so truly anxious to see it brought to an end, these forces enlist our silver-tongued President to tell the people that the price of a speedy and final victory over totalitarianism is the complete adoption of totalitarianism in this country.

Let's assume for a moment the hypothesis that this war is just, and essential to the future of the world. Even then, why should all labor, including women, be conscripted? All the published reports show that we are out-producing the Axis - that free labor has proven itself far more efficient than forced labor. If it has now become necessary to draft labor in order to produce for war, it certainly shows that not enough people are interested in that task. And if not enough people are that interested, then why - and for whom - is the war being fought?

We read about forced labor in occupied Europe: how the people are being compelled to work at tasks they intensely dislike; how they are shipped about to where the Nazi war machine most needs them, regardless of their own desires; how they are required to comply with such directives in spite of the effects on their home and family life.. And we are given to understand that that is of the essence of the cruel, inhuman, totalitarian method which Hitler has had to use because the people of Europe will not cooperate voluntarily.

And then what happens? The same system is proposed here, and dished out as the "democratic way to let everyone do his share in this time of national emergency." Say what they may about its uses, its need, and its "fairness", no one can successfully deny that it is exactly the same system that we regularly condemn the Axis for using in occupied Europe. And have we any idea when it will end? Could

MANCOS MEMORANDUM

Many Mancos men who had been under the impression that the purge idea was exclusive with church-administered CPS had their eyes opened a bit by the sudden transfers this month of 38 men to the new Siberia of CPS at Lapine, Oregon.

As has happened in some of the church camps, the Director disclaimed all intention of using the transfer as a purge, cited some evidence in support of his contention. Nonetheless, the fact that men were sent against their wishes and contrary to Col. McLean's statement on the subject, while other men were not permitted to transfer, has not left a particularly pleasant taste in many people's mouths.

Since the CPS-GI, our camp paper at Mancos, covered the story in some detail, ACTION sees no need to give it much space. But we cannot resist the temptation to quote from the GI's nemesis, the CPS-SO, the following statement, credited to the Director: "This (Lapine) is not a penal camp. Men are not being sent there as a penalty in any sense of the phrase. It's just that we want to keep the most cooperative men here where they can do the most good."

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WHAT IS CPS?

An Appeal to Every Member of Congress for a Little Intellectual Honesty in a Small Matter

This is NOT an appeal for sympathy. To our knowledge, none of the present group of conscientious objectors has ever asked for sympathy from the government. To be sure, some of the "Elder Pacifists" did ask for the opportunity to set up the Civilian Public Service system. They wanted to provide us with a chance to "witness to our faith in a better world" by performing "useful public work," rather than have us languish in prison for the duration.

Now of course, those men were essentially honest and sincere, and the representatives of government with whom they dealt were essentially honest and sincere. But they did not arrive at a perfect meeting of minds, although both parties apparently thought that they had. And neither party had any business binding either the conscientious objectors or the government by such an agreement.

The result has been the existing Civilian Public Service system, nominally under civilian control, but actually run by Army personnel in the Selective Service System (and some of these officers have even received military promotions while in SSS work). The work we do is nominally "work of national importance" (as Congress provided in the original act in 1940), but actually most of it is the sort of piddling around - boondoggling - that would not be done at all if anyone had to pay for it. We don't get paid. Nominally, we have all volunteered to perform "alternative service", but actually we have all been drafted and ordered into service, with the same penalties for refusal as are provided for other draftees. There is nothing at all voluntary in the process. We are not asked if we want to work for nothing. We are ordered to do it.

Friend Congressman, this IS [illegible]tter. It involves only about 7,000 men in the CPS camps and units, and [illegible] of thousand more in the Federal prisons, and of course the wives and families of these men. But its importance to YOU as a representative of a segment of the American public is away out of proportion to the small number of people directly involved. In this institution of so-called Civilian Public Service, Americans have, by virtue of the negligence of Congress, allowed to grow up in the United States a system of ADMINISTRATIVE imprisonment of political prisoners. It has been disguised, camouflaged, passed off as something else, but in point of fact that is what it is.

THAT LAPINE PLACE

ACTION intends to devote its next issue entirely to expression of views of the men in the new government camp at Lapine, Ore. Meanwhile, we are assured that "things are cooking" there.

The matter is squarely up to Congress, and something should be done about it now, BEFORE the war is over... BEFORE this sort of thing is allowed to become the regular order of business here as it has in the foreign dictatorships. What happens to the few thousand

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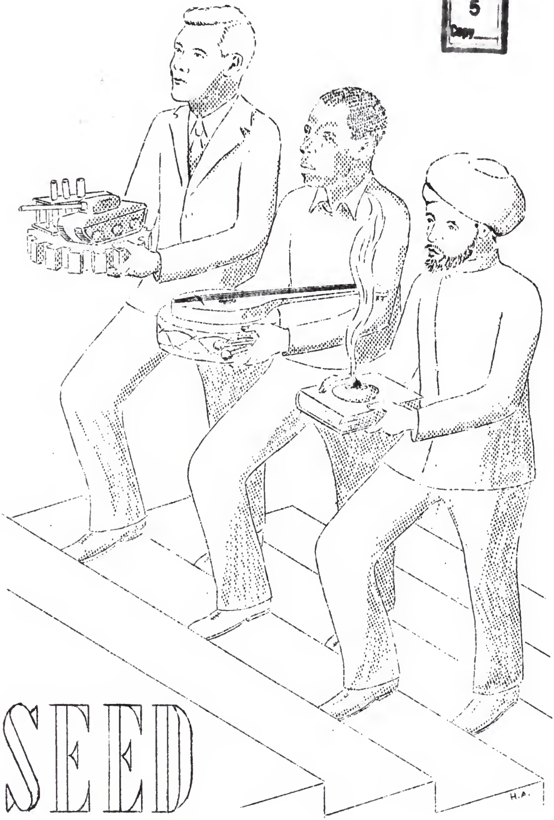

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LAST WEEK Despite the crisis over Plan X, CPS 94 was fundamentally its dreary old self. The Housing and Maintenance Committee, faced by an impending stampede from Powellsville, was desperately jostling for Lebensraum, and the assistant director was trying to make two beds stand where one stood before. And the Overtaxed Generator, an old complaint of ours, was with us still. Specialists soberly counted watts and amperes, forbade sudden exertions. Temperature a little feverish, pulse weak, breathing slow but regular.

THIS WEEK:

Monday:	Housing and Maintenance Committee; St. John of the Cross
Tuesday:	Chorus; Workers Committee; Education-Recreation Committee
Wednesday:	Council; Socialist Local
Thursday:	Thanksgiving; Orchestra Rehearsal; Pottery
Friday:	Chorus
Saturday:	Rural Sociology; Movie, How Green Was My Valley
Sunday:	Meeting for worship; Movie

PLAN "X" A red-faced Election Committee asked the retiring Council to tangle with the month's neatest, funniest trick. Plan X, anarchist who wanted to be Educational Secretary two months back, was at it again. Running this time for council (to abolish council), he slipped past a naive Election Committee to a spot on the ballot, put the committee on the spot by getting enough votes to upset the election. Committee and PR counted ballots three different times, came out with three different councils, thought up three different ways to shake The Plan. . .The Council bravely faced the issue, solemnly declared "X" ineligible to run for election. Tom Rusch announced determined efforts to nip any further unconstitutional attacks on unconstitutional government. In the words of Delmar Claronce Scawright, "A plan can't run for office!"

Members of the new Council: George Alloin, Dave Curtis, Stanley Hahn, Andy Hain, Edward Henley, Canby Jones, Harold Riegger.

PIECE WORK Gossip has it that the staking gang on the survey crew--Lowe, Rusch, Piopenburg, Moyer--have struck a bargain with Surveyor John Delaney. A week's work was outlined, the crew asked for five days--Monday through Friday--in which to get the job done. If they finish earlier, the extra time is their own. They're shooting for Wednesday night. . .Which reminds us of our experience in a New Hampshire forestry camp. Piece work on the project there was so successful the camp superintendent stopped it: too much work got done.

LARNIN' Inspired by the success of Rufus Jones College at Gatlinburg, and by Sam Marble's recent visit here, the educational overseers of Trenton are offering a prospectus of courses from Algebra to Zoology, and hoping that some college will see fit to offer credit for them. About 40 men have signed up for some seventeen suggested courses, with most interest shown in physics, political science and calculus.

The Community School has declared a recess from regular sessions, with much talk of "orientation" and "thinking through our needs". At the end of the announcement are the words, significantly underlined: "Dish-washing will stop after next week." Just what impetus the communal dishwashing gave to the collapse of the School we don't know, but we offer this sober warning to any future CPS College: Stick close to your slide rules, boys, and don't go near the sink.

OF RUSSIA Reverend Janis Laupmanis, native Latvian who spoke to a large camp meeting Monday night, gave his informal opinion that within fifteen years after the close of the present war Russia will engage in World War III with one or more of her present allies.

LAST WEEK Director Ed Peacock returned from the big annual pow-wow in Philadelphia to find the camp having a little pow-pow all of its own. . . The mercury was well below zero for a day or two, and some crews, especially the truck drivers, enjoyed weather-days: the temperature, it seems, was too cold for the machinery. . .By every stove in camp was a little knot of debaters; the babble of contradiction, the bellows of affirmation from time to time drowned out the whistling of the wind.

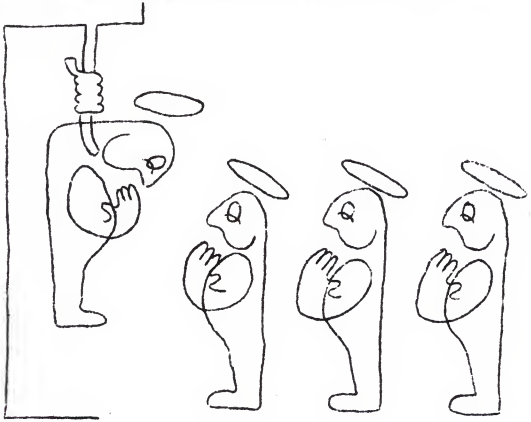
THIS WEEK:

Monday:	Chorus; St. John of the Cross
Tuesday:	Chorus; Ed-Rec Committee;
	Ed Peacock: Report on Directors' Conference.
Wednesday:	Council; Socialist Local and Study Group
Thursday:	Orchestra Rehearsal; Pottery; CPS Union
Friday:	Chorus; Morris Mitchell
Saturday:	Rural Sociology; Movie: "Only Angels Have Wings"
Sunday:	Meeting for Worship; Movie

Foreign language conversations every evening, Dorm V -- 9:00 to 9:30
German: Monday, Wednesday, Friday. French: Tuesday, Thursday.

GRAND OLD OPERY This week the Trenton players gave a performance of that old CPS drama, "Somebody Ought to Do Something." The cast was in good voice -- the irresponsible bad boys, the disorganized good boys, the ardent reformers, the divided Council, the harassed administration, and inevitably, that old trouper Dame Rumor. Emotion's delicate balance is upset, and the play begins. Then -- well, you know the story as well as we do.

Somehow or other, the ending of the thing has always bothered us. The Villains are never, with true Christian Charity, utterly forgiven and claimed as Brothers. Nor (if you belong to another school) is Justice done, and Crime shown Not to Pay. In fact, what always happens is that along about the middle of the third act, when things ought to be warming up to a good, rip-snorthing climax, two or three of the leading characters wander off the stage and go down and sit in the audience. Before you know what's happened, the stage is empty, and no one has even put the curtain down. A hell of a thing.



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Several things have come through in the mail during Joe's absence. Here is some of the recent dope. (I also wanted to experiment with our new hektograph duplicator.

Regarding income tax, if Dr. Conway will make a statement that we are living at the hospital for the convenience of the hospital, maintenance is not taxable. There has not been any ruling yet covering cases where CPS men are permitted to live outside the hospital. Anyone whose maintenance is considered in making out a tax return should claim that the money is expense money not to be taxed and should file such a statement with his return to make it possible for him to collect any taxes paid when a ruling is made.

A school of Fine Arts is to be opened by the Brethren at Waldport, Oregon, for those interested in producing along literary, musical, visual, speech, and related lines. Also, two biochemists and a psychologist are needed to do research in shock treatment at the University of Illinois.

Following a meeting with Paul Furnas, a committee at Big Flats has drawn up a plan for a representative policy making committee made up of CPS men to meet monthly. They would review reports of the CPS administrative staff, discuss and determine policy, and make appointments to the Philadelphia staff. The Big Flats committee would like our reaction to their plan, details of which are on the bulletin board.

Recent materials received: Crossroads of Conflict, a pamphlet by Carl J. Hambro of Norway in which problems of nationalism, minorities, etc., are discussed. Relief and Reconstruction, b Roger Wilson--notes on principles involved in Quaker relief service. America and the Future, based on studies undertaken by a committee of Time, Life, and Fortune editors on economy and foreign policy.

Magazines recently ordered and soon to be received: Information Service, Christianity & Crisis, Christian Century, Consumers Cooperation, Catholic Worker, Survey Graphic.

The Medical Lake Side Camp is flourishing at N2025 Belt Avenue. Consider yourselves invited to meals or lodging at anytime (gratuities accepted). We hope it will become a hangout for all of you. Take a Northwest Boulevard Bus to Shannon St. (catch it going west on Main Street). Walk four blocks west and one north. Phone (the first Carter in the phone book) Broadway 3996M.

Phil Gifford: Nuestros buenos deseos para ti.

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TWO MORE VISITORS -- Lou Schneider is making a month's swing around the Western camps and units; will be here about April [illegible]. Stanley Hamilton will be with us April 21 (Saturday) through 23 (Monday).

Stanley is a graduate of Earlham College and a former YMCA secretary. From 1935 to 1939 he worked with the coal area committee, representing the AFSC and the Federal Council of Churches. Their work was in the field of rehabilitation and adult education. In 1940 Stanley Hamilton went to Quaker City in Richmond, Indiana, as the director of the Refugee Hostel which was established there. In 1943 he became Executive Secretary of the Rural Life Association with which he is now associated.

In the CPS office is a manuscript entitled "An Accounting to Congress and the President by the American Friends Service Committee of the Religious Society of Friends in America". This is a tentative draft and is confidential".

As soon as the dust settles after the transferring and moving it is hoped that we may settle into profitable educational pursuits of one kind or another. An education meeting will be called in a short time. Incidentally, it is our hope too that the next education meeting will not include quite so much puerile bickering and griping, but will find everyone in a mood to "accentuate th' positive"!

Our maestro HAROLD MILLS plans to present another recital this coming Sunday, March 29. Watch for further announcements.

Said John Sterling: A man with knowledge, but without energy, is a house furnished but uninhabited.

Horace Mann once stated: As an apple is not in any proper sense an apple until it is ripe, so a human being is not in any proper sense a human being until he is educated.

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CIVILIAN PUBLIC SERVICE UNIT #75 MARCH 27, 1945

G E T - T O - G E T H E R --- Sunday afternoons may at last provide the long awaited opportunity for the entire Unit to be together all at the same time. To start the ball rolling we all might meet in the social hall (above the auditorium) by 4:00 o'clock Sunday Afternoon Apr 1 to do some group singing etc, around the piano. After 5:00 supper we can re-convene to discuss future educational and recreational programs such as:-

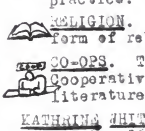
PING-PONG TOURNAMENT. Incidentally, Dr. Perry has at least said to Sam that he will try to locate a table for us to use in our CPS "joint" down on Ward 16 . . . .

MUSIC. Would you like to learn to play the piano? Harlow Mills has agreed to teach a class for beginners if there is enough real interest. The lessons will be directed toward popular music if that is the desire of the group. . . . Who is eligible? CPS men, with the price of lessons to be taken from the education fund. Wives, too, if they wish to pay 25¢ a lesson. A minimum of half an hour's practice a day is expected. Details of time and place for the class will be arranged to suit the schedules of those who wish to join. Two pianos are available in the auditorium for practice. If you are interested, see Mills or yours truly.

RELIGION. There seems to be considerable interest in starting some form of religious activity.

CO-OPS. To get the correspondence course in Administration of Cooperatives under way, one basic set (one text and seven pieces of literature) has been ordered. Cost: $8.00

KATHARINE WHITESIDE TAYLOR will pay us a return visit the 15th of April. Since the 15th is also the date on which J. Holmes Smith will be here, I shall try to have her visit moved ahead a couple of days. Dr. Taylor is in charge of Parent-Child Relations in the Seattle Public Schools. She's an expert on marriage relations.



T U N E I N at 7:15 p.m. on April 11 (Wednesday night) at 1080 kc, Radio Station KWJJ, Portland, Oregon, to hear offerings at the piano and general gab routine for the George A. White Service Man's Center of Portland, given by our fellowCPSman--"STUB" HARVEY. Stub asks that those who hear him please write to the radio station about it and possibly get him a program there.

From JIM FINUCANE (pfc--USA). The following is quoted in part from a letter dated March 5 written to the Coffin's. Jim writes from Germany. His address: 33 947 781; Gp Hq, 1121 Engr. c Gp.; APO #305; c/o Postmaster, NYC.

". . . . . I am in a little German village, living in a house, or I should say in a succession of houses. They're all in worse shape than the one you opened in back of the church. But it is surprising what a little GI ingenuity can do.

My Job, when I'm not on KP or other interesting details of a similar nature, is assistant to the Group Information and Education officer. I help put out a little weekly newspaper, mark up some

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WHY probe

This magazine is a channel. Its columns are available for the free exchange and conflict necessary to that ideological clarification which must precede social change. It is not interested in lifeless abstractions, racy bits of news, or pretty articles, which tilt blunted lances at superficial manifestations, thus obscuring the social futility of present-day man. To those who refuse the facing of issues, and making a necessary choice between the different paths confronting mankind; who wish instead to take refuge in wishful thinking, and in emotional 'liberal' whines of "betrayed again" - we recommend 'The Nation', 'The New Republic' and 'PM' as *exclusive* reading material.

The men who guide nations have deemed it appropriate to guarantee to all peoples everywhere, four freedoms - freedom from want and from fear, freedom of speech and of religion. But these freedoms cannot exist in an otherwise unchanged world, cannot come to life spontaneously from their own well-springs. They can come only as a by-product, as a derivative of that fulcrum of all freedoms - the freedom of a society to change, to maintain a fluid sensitivity to the demands of time and growth. For us, this must mean freedom to act for change toward an intelligent, coordinated, humanitarian order.

We seek action - action that will result in pivotal and crucial changes in the social organism. Without such changes the four freedoms are meaningless - and only by such changes can they permeate the core of individual human relationships. We must achelve new social concepts; concepts capable of being combined with effective actions resulting in further enlargement of our horizons. This demands a conscious appraisal and removal of the bars erected by the past, so that the way may be open to new constructions. These are the primary necessities of our age. Ergo,

We believe in the creation of a society that will tend toward the highest development of the human potential, in personality and social approaches...

We believe in a society where the scope of the individual would be limited only by his recognition of his responsibility for whatever that society is - *and to whatever it may become...*

We believe that the necessary growth which must precede this acceptance of responsibility can be stimulated only through the unrestricted and continuous exercise of free choice among the various alternatives facing society...

We believe that such choices can be intelligent only when preceded by unlimited availability and full discussion of the facts and issues...

We believe that the current social, economic and political news has meaning and a causal relationship to future patterns. We hope mutually to explore these meanings and potentialities...

We believe that, with reader participation and support, we can make a contribution to our time...

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EDITORIAL

Democracy: the fact *of voluntary participation by the governed in a government the forms of which are determined by this participation. When we use the word between quotation marks we mean that a* name *is being used which, like John, Henry, or William, may be applied to any number of individual situations.*

The civilian and military administrators in the countries conquered by the United Nations probably recognize that almost any definition of democracy precludes its being imposed on people from above and without. They would, if pressed to explain their acts and policies in terms of the development of democracy among our erstwhile enemies, indicate the necessity of building up the conditions required for the establishment of democracy. They would point out that they were creating the fundamental civil and

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Folk Dancing. Tonight at 6:30 in the basement of the Employes Home. Community folk dancing group starts this Saturday at 7:45 P.M. at the YMCA on the Green. You are welcome to join both of these groups.

Meeting for meditation and silent worship on Sunday nights has been temporarily discontinued.

Summary of minutes, CPSU meeting, Dec. 28, 1944. Nat Hoffman reported on GEB activities and publicity given recent unit activities. Ludwig gave Treasurer's report, showing $27.00 in dues owed and deficit of $2.62. Members were appointed to assist in dues collection. Grand, Educational Secretary, reported upon: (1) maintaining recently achieved unit unity; (2) establishing a unit on Human Relations, with three levels of participation by members; (3) need for educational committee (MOTION passed authorizing Whitney and Grand to appoint committee); (4) possible discontinuing of acceptance of AFSC educational funds, presenting tentative budget of $120.00 for six months. Discussion of possible ways of raising money followed. MOTION passed authorizing referendum of unit on this question. McAllester reported Dr. Russman's response to Union letter and his position concerning personal problems of the men. (Full minutes on Classroom bb.)

Apartment for rent. Large room and kitchenette, furnished, $10.00 per week. Details from the Muehlkes or from Mrs. Grace Baldwin, 128 Broad St. (opposite Russell Library)

Books given. "Strange Fruit," "My Sister Eileen," and ten pocket books have been given to the unit by George Hostings of Darion, Conn. See Grand to borrow either of the first two or to take any of the others.

AFSC relationships. INFORMATION finally reports: "The administration of the Middletown unit...is now being handled directly by the hospital superintentent without the participation of the AFSC....The AFSC will act as a forwarding office for reports and documents to the Unit and SSS through NSBRO and will continue to handle CPS matters outside the hospital and/or involving CPS as a whole." Paul Furnas is sending a memorandum to all camps and units this week. So are we. See Dec. 29 INFO and our statement on Reading Room bb.

Mancos' CPS GI. Current issue in Reading Room is devoted entirely to DeVault's statement, "Conscription and Personality." Grand says it is a "MUST for all CPS men."

Typhoid Innoculation. If you have been in CPS for two years, Dr. Brown says you should have a new typhoid shot. Leave name at CPS office if interested.

Chest X-ray. If you have not had an X-ray since coming to CSH, leave name at office.

Georg Hoffman, in leaving the hospital, writes, "I did not want to go without an expression of how much it has meant to me to be here and work with you." He sends the following poem, "Peace Makers":

They are but little lights
Serene souls here and there
Who keep the candle of their faith
Alight with daily prayer

With steadfast minds on God
Their Thoughts on love's release
These are they who finally
Will bring enduring peace.

So may their legion grow
As stars within the sky
May all the candles of their faith
With Holy fire flame high

Until War's blackened waste
Is lit with Love supreme
And mankind everywhere rejoice
To live Christ's noble dream.

Unit Representative. The U.R. is available, briefly, in the CPS office, every morning except Friday between 8:15 and 8:30 for consultation; other times by appointment.

Socialized Medicine. Hear Dr. James R. Miller speak, tonight at 8, Y.MCA.

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Friday, January 12, 7:30 P.M. - CPSU MEETing, Classroom. Proposed Agenda: (1) Treasurer's report; (2) Committee reports; (3) Statement on status of unit administration; (4) Proposal to ask SSS for funds; (5) Proposal for SSS identification cards (to replace AFSC's); (6) Conscription; (7) Proposed "wasted talent" survey; (8) Educational Secretary's report; (9) Other business; (10) Godd and Welfare. N.B. Some of these proposals accelerate our acceptance as a government unit. Attend the meeting if you have any comments.

Thursday, January 18, 6:00 P.M. - Roland Bainton Meeting and Pot Luck Supper, Holy Trinity Church, Main Street. Enjoy a supper away from the Mill and with our friends of the FOR. Food will be provided for you if you make reservations soon with Sam Grand or Charles Fisher. Professor Bainton of Yale will speak on "Historic Christian Attitudes towards War," and Ray Hanson will give a Piano Recital.

Dates to Save. Mon., Jan. 22 - Prof. Von Groschwitz of Wesleyan will give an illustrated lecture on "Prints of Famous Masterpieces in the Making." Thurs., Feb. 1 - Layle Lane, Vice President of American Federation of Teachers, will talk on "An Action Program in Human Relations." Wed., Feb. 7 - A.J.Muste will speak on "The Outlook for World Peace."

Folk Dancing - There is still time to join the group at the YMCA on Saturday nights at 8:00 (7:30 if you are a novice). 50¢, or $3.50 for for the ten sessions. Single men are missing a good bet. Our own group continues in Employe's Home on Wednesdays at 8:30 P.M.

Ad. "Have you looked at yourself in the mirror lately? Well then, get that haircut! Have you looked in your pocketbook lately? Well then, get the haircut from Swiatkowski! Good haircuts for 25¢ at your conv.

Ice Skating. Marion Cartland, local Friend, invites us to her place for skating in the evening and refreshments after. Call her first.

Job Opportunities. Roger Spencer of Higganum, will $5.00 a cord for woodcutters; see Watts, McAllester, or Hoffman if interested. Photo developing and selling, here and in Waterbury; See Watts or McAllester.

Official Notice. Furlough papers, which constitute your official permission, must be secured before you leave for vacation.

Furnas. A letter to Paul Furnas, posted on Reading Room bb, requests clarification of our administrative situation and expresses the opinion: "A number of men...are in favor of continued administration of this unit by the AFSC, and we hope that some arrangement can be reached which will be agreeable to a larger number of unit members than is the present one." 35 had signed at last report.

Anti-Conscription. Protests to Congress have become a mere trickle, which has been interpreted as a changed public opinion. So: (1) Write (a) the President, (b) the Secretary of State, (c) members of the House of Representatives and Senators, particularly those from your home state and those on the Military Affairs Committees; (2) Use your home address (Presidental mail from CPS is turned over to SSS unopened.); (3) Get relatives to write; (4) Be brief but WRITE; (5) Concentrate on the point of "postponement in view of unsettled world affairs and general war hysteria;" (6) Don't let this be "too little and too late."

Ad. Four $1.20 tickets for James Melton, Sun., Jan. 21, Busnell. Transportation may be arranged. See the Thomases.

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Tonight, at 6:30. Folk dancing in the employes Home. B 341

Thur., Jan. 18, 6:00 P.M. - Pot-Luck Supper, Holy Trinity Church, Main Street. This is a CPS affair, so come and bring a healthy appetite. Prof. Roland Bainton will speak on "Historic Christian Attitudes towards War." Ray Hanson will give a piano recital.

Prof. Von Groschwitz's lecture on "Prints of Famous Masterpieces," originally scheduled for next Monday, has been postponed to Tuesday, Feb.13.

Educational Fund Referendum. The statements pro and con use of AFSC funds have been received and the ballots will be out by the end of the week.

CPSU Meeting, Jan. 11; Summary of Minutes. (1) Treasurer's report; (2) Educational Secretary reported on possibility of Sam Marble visiting unit to help formulate proposed program on Human Relations, and also reported on coming events (See above, and "Dates" below); (3) U.R. recommended use of representive system and announced that he was available daily, except Fridays, at 8:20 A.M. in CPS office; (4) Membership committee was instructed to solicit membership from all new men in unit, membership cards are now being printed, and all members behind in their dues are to be seen to determine whether they wish to continue as members; (5) The petition concerning Watts's furlough penalty was reported completed and being sent to Dr. Yerbury; (6) It was announced that Whitney and Watts would meet with Dr. Russman during the coming week; (7) Discussion of Ed. Fund referendum resulted in decision to issue it as originally authorized; (8) As Dr. Yerbury wants the unit to have new identification cards, it was decided that the A.D. be requested to secure these from SSS rather than from AFSC; (9) Cherry gave a detailed report of the views of those who had prepared the letter to Furnas referred to in the last news report and, when it was revealed that the letter had already been sent, regret was expressed that this attitude was not more clearly expressed in the letter; (10) Whitney spoke of the need for further volunteer blood donors for Middlesex Hospital. (Full minutes are posted in Classroom; please do not remove.)

Happiness, despite CPS, radiates from Joaquin Fiorillo since his marriage, January 3, to Eloise Bishop, Washington sculptress.

Conscription. Hearings begin in Washington, January 27, but most Congressmen will have made up their minds before then. Have you written to yours? Your Service representative will see you this week with additional literature to send your friends and postcards for those who haven't found time to write. Be prepared to give him a full report.

Dates to save. Feb. 1 - Layle Lane; Feb. 7 - A. J. Muste; Feb. 13 - Gustav von Groschwitz; Feb. 17 - Valentine Social; Feb. 19 - B. Mitchell.

Hedgerow Theatre offers special rates to CPS men during its four week run at Cherry Lane Theatre, New York. See Reading Room announcement.

In our new periodical shelves in Reading Room: Harper's, containing article on CO's; story of our unit in Friends' Intelligencer; publications of interest from Federal Council of Churches and Rosenwald Found.

Wesleyan. New session starts in March. See Grand if you want to attend.

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Thu., Feb. 1, 7:30 P.M. - LAYLE LANE on "An Action Program in Human Relations," Employes Home.
Wed., Feb. 7, 8:30 P.M. - A.J. Muste on "Outlook for World Peace
Tue., Feb. 13, 7:30 P.M. - Gustav von Groschwitz, of Wesleyan, speaks on "Prints of Famous Masterpieces."
Wed., Feb. 14, 7:30 P.M. - Socialist Discussion Group begins.
Sat., Feb. 17, 7:30 P.M. - Valentine Party
Mon., Feb. 19, 7:30 P.M. - Broadus Mitchell on "Labor as a Polital Force

Layle Lane is Vice President of American Federation of Teachers and on the Executive Board of the Workers Defense League. She is an effective worker and speaker on labor and Negro problems.

CPSU Meeting, Summary of minutes, Jan. 27, 1945: (1) CO prison fund directed to be paid to WRL Prison Fund; (2) UR report (see below); (3) MOTION passed authorizing revival of Committee on Ward Activities; (4) Sareyan gave statistical report on hospital employment since 1938; (5) Grand's letter to the "Nationalist Party" was read and accepted for publication (copy will be on bb in a few days); (6)MOTION passed directing Exec. Comm. to call special meeting if reported conference of SS and Hospital Authorities on restrictions warrants; (7) Wherry reported that no reply had been received from AFSC to "minority" letter; (8) UR was instructed to make informal inquiry concerning unauthorized inspection of sign-out book; (9) Educational Fund referendum (see below); (10) MOTION that SS be requested to supply educational funds tabled until next meeting; (11) MOTION passed authorizing use of PTMC stickers and reimbursement of Hahsen for cost of printing. (Full Minutes on Classroom bb.)

UR report: There can be no openings for cooks because of WMC critical job allotments. Overtime work at regular pay in CSH is not available to CPS. Rulings under state labor laws prohibit combining days off in two week periods. SS is being approached for unit identification cards. AD has expressed interest in (3) above and in opportunities for more ward activities.

Official (Very Important according to McA). You will be AWOL if you do not secure furlough papers before you leave for vacation. It's best to get them several days in advance from either of the AD's secretarys.

Educational Funds. By a vote of 24 to 10 the unit was authorized to continue to use AFSC money. A proposal to attempt to secure funds from SS will be acted upon at the next CPSU meeting.

Conscription. Rep. Andrews of House Comm. on Post-War Military Policy writes: "At the present time we do not propose to give consideration to (Universal Military Training), having deferred any action on the matter until later." But you better keep your pens busy.

Ed. Sec. report: Doris Keller, Ind. Sec. of Hartford YWCA, invites us to Square Dance, Thurs., Feb. 8. This group of industrial workers (all under 25) have expressed interest in us and are said to be attractive." See Grand. (2) If you want to attend Wesleyan next semester for either undergraduate or graduate work, see Grand. (3) Swimming and use of the Gym at the Y is available through special arrangement with G. (4) see G. to add or remove your name from Round Robin list.

Laundry. If you want your clothes back without jeopardising PR, include a full list with your roommate's bundle and make sure each article is legibly marked with indelible ink (initial and last name in full). Call at laundry for missing articles as soon as possible.

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Tonight, at 7:30 - A. J. MUSTE on "The Outlook for World Peace." Employes Home.
Thu., Feb. 8, 7:30 P.M. - HARRY TIEBOUT on "PHILOSOPHICAL ASSUMPTIONS OF SOCIALISM," first of a discussion series. 147 Church Street.
8:00 P.M. - YMCA Party at 262 Ann Street, Hartford. Square Dancing, Games and Girls. Take 7 P.M. bus; see Grand in advance if possible.
Mon., Feb.12, 7:30 P.M. - CPSU MEETING, Classroom. Everyone welcome.
Wed., Feb.14, 7:30 P.M. - SOCIALIST discussion group - "Basic Political Assumptions."
Sat., Feb.17, 7:30 P.M. - VALENTINE PARTY, Amusement Hall. Get your date early and make arrangements for overnight accommodations with Grand now.
Mon., Feb.19, 7:30 P.M. - BROADUS MITCHELL on "Labor as a Political Force in the U.S."

A. J. Muste willdiscuss CPS problems informally in the Reading Room, this afternoon at 4:30. You will want to meet with him then, if possible, and be sure to come to the evening meeting to participate with A.J. in a discussion of our part in the P-W world.

Socialist Discussion Group. A series of four discussions on "the Basic Assumptions of Socialism," will be held at 147 Church Street, beginning tomorrow night. Each subject will be opened by a half hour prepared statement and will be followed by an hour's discussion and a half hour social period. You are welcome. (Second floor apartment, entrance on side porch.)

CPSU meeting. Proposed agenda includes: UR and Ed. Sec. report; AD's Sec report on Hartford Conference; AVSC report on Washington Conference; Discussion of Admin. Regulations No. 4; Action on proposal to ask SS for Ed funds; Establishing of procedure for Ed. Sec. election; Action on Wasted Talent Survey; Ward Activities Comm. Report; Good and Welfare.

Gustav von Groschwitz meeting has been indefinitely postponed.

Hartford Conference. On Monday, Conn. Superintendents and AD's met with Mr. Scoboria to hear SS's new regulations. CSW was represented by Dr. Yerbury and the AD's Sec., MCA. Highlights: Day off is the same as before---from the time you are off duty until you are due back to work on the day following; Outside jobs must be specifically approved by SS; Living off the mill may be possible through a definite plan approved by SS; Medical and Dental care necessary to "maintain health and working capacity" must be provided by the hospital; No drinking, women, or gambling in quarters. (Full report at CPSU meeting.)

Blood Donors. All those who have contributed to the Middlesex Hospital bank may register there as professional donors. Further volunteers for the bank are needed. See Whitney or call Middlesex Hospital.

Dates. Wannerstrom and Pearson can supply a limited number of girls for the Valentine Party. See them early.

Opinion from Wilson. "Rumor has it that some are becoming critical of CPS Local #81 and blaming us for the tightening up which SS is doing in CPS. Everyone who has ever fought for a just caouse against those in power has first had to endure the "tightening up." During the tightening up phase, the weaker souls and the cynics drop out, become dejected, disillusioned, bitter; and turn against their own comrades, blaming them for this "tightening up" imposed by the powers that be. SS is now trying to force out the weaker souls, to divide our ranks, to keep us squabbling so much among ourselves that we cannot take effective action for the realization of our just desires. Now is the time to stand together, to demonstrate the moral courage CO's are supposed to have. Now is the time to use some of that non-violent but effective resistance we are supposed to believe in. Now is the time to take whatever risks, to make whatever sacrifices are necessary in seeking our legitimate aims without blaming each other for whatever pressure SS tries to exert...."

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Tonight, at 7:00 - "Basic Economic Assumptions of Socialism," third in discussion series; introduced by John H. Reedy, Jr. 147 Church Street, 2nd floor, side entrance.

Thu., Feb.22, 8:00 P.M. - Party at YWCA, 262 Ann St., Hartford.

Sun., Feb.25, 9:45 A.M. - Friends Meeting, Winchester House (See map on bb. Dave Ross will report on conference where he heard Mrs. Paul Robeson and Carey McWilliams.

Mon., Feb.26, 7:45 P.M. - "Aria da Capo," a reading of Edna St. Vincent Millay's play. Employes Home. (Begins promptly.)

Tue., Feb.27, 7:30 P.M. - CPSU Meeting, Classroom.
9:15 P.M. - Meeting with Sam Marble; at Thomas apartment.

Wed., Feb.28, 7:30 P.M. - Socialist Group on "Ends and Means."

Note on "Aria da Capo"from Steinel, A. "Reading is not acting," says Amy Lowell. "In a play the audience is intended to see the march of events with its physical eye. In reading, the audience must see nothing with the eyes that detracts from the mental vision."

CPSU agenda includes: Report of committee on election procedure for all unit and union officers; nominations for offices; Discussion of action to be taken on SS restrictions (see below): report on wasted talent survey; Ed. Sec. and U.R. report; other business; Good and Welfare.

Reply to Wilson (Opinion by Steinel, A.) "I believe the union is composed of much deadwood. Being one of the pieces, I have withdrawn membership--but not because of cynicism nor fear of loss of privilege. I feelthat the union has not, and will not, accomplish more than could an aggressive unit representative, assisted by a small representative group that would conduct most of the routine business and call infrequent unit meetings. The union has created one more sect in the pacifist group, a group which can show unity on certain fundamental interests to pacifists (peacetime conscription) or on certain injustices (the Watts case) regardless of a union, but it is also a group that will not show unity on a variety of social problems, union or no union."

Sam Marble, Ass't Ed. Director for AFSC will be here Feb. 27 & 28. He will meet Tuesday evening with those interested in an Action Program in inter-group relations; at the Thomas Apt., Employes Home.

Dates to save: March 5 - Horace M. Kallen, dean of New School for Social Research, on "Prejudice:the American Way;" March 12 - "Psychiatry in Action," a motion picture; March 20 - Frank T. Simpson, head of Governor's Inter-Racial Commission of Connecticut, will speak.

Annual WRL Dinner on Tue., Feb. 27th, is free to CPS men. Norman Thomas and George Hartman will speak. See RR bb for details.

Yale Library books will be borrowed for you by Paul Bateman if unavailable at Wesleyan or Russell Libraries.

Presidential Petition. See RR bb for slight editorial changes (and procedure if you do not approve of them). Add your name to this petition now signed by 1,202 CPS men.

Conscription. The co-ordinating committee wants copies of all replies from Congressmen to help in its Washington work. Please turn your letters, or copies, over to Joel Haines as soon as possible.
CPSU minutes of Feb. 12, squeezed out, are posted in Classroom.

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Tonight, at 7:30 - CPSU MEETING, Classroom. All unit members and wives are welcome, at 9:15 - Meeting with SAM MARBLE, Thomas apartment, Employes Home.
Wed., Feb. 28, 7:30 P.M. - "MEANS TO THE END," last of Socialist series; introduced by Sidney Pearlman. 217 S. Main St., side entrance. (Note address)
Fri., Mar. 2, 2:00 to 5:30 P.M. - "Food and Fancy Sale," homemade products and preview of new Co-op store, 99 Center St. (opp. the Town Clock).
Mon., Mar. 5, 7:30 and 9:30 P.M. - HORACE M. KALLEN will speak on "Prejudice; the American Way." Employes Home.

CPSU meeting. An important meeting; see notes below.

Horace M. Kallen, dean of the New School for Social Research, is the author of a dozen books, including "Culture & Democracy in the U.S.," "The Rise & Decline of the Consume.

Reply to Steinel (Opinion by Whitney). "Bill Steinel has removed himself as 'deadwood' from the CPSU. He now becomes driftwood. It is the exceptional organization, if it exists at all, in which the majority of the membership does not display more apathy than initiative, leaving the routine grind to a small group who carry on partly out of interest, partly out of necessity. Ours is no exception.

But withdrawal is no answer. CPS men go it alone too frequently. The Union has acted already where the Unit did not; and significant if slow changes are under way. On the national level the Wasted Talent Survey, the distribution of the Washington Post editorial reprints, the circulation of information on wages and dependency, the fight to enlist organized labor's opposition to unpaid conscript labor, the support of the Dyer petition indicate that the union is meeting a need met by no other group. We arn't miraclo men. Certainly, our bargaining position is difficult. But we are doing something, Bill, and to my mind, it is withdrawal that is divisiol. Anyway, I'm sorry to see us lose the considerable contribution you might have made."

Wasted Talent. In an apparent offort to discount the CPSU survey, Civilian Director, Col. Lewis F. Kosch, F.A., is asking Technical agencies for a list of jobs of assignees requiring scientific or professional training, technical training, or special skills. Ralph Rudd, GEB Chairman, points out that such information would neither prove nor disprove the Union's contention. It would not show the unskilled jobs that skilled men are doing, nor what CPS men would do if each were to work at the job at which he could serve the community best. See Kosch and Rudd letters on C (Classroom) bb, attend meeting tonight.

Administrative Regulations No. 4. The final draft has not been issued. The CPSU Action Comm., analysing the proliminary draft, suggests tree possible courses of opposition: compliance and petition for exceptions, compliance and request for transfer back to camp, refusal to comply. Columbus, Ohio, Unit has taken a forthright stand of non-compliance, pledging support of other individuals and units. Union action will be taken tonight. (See Union analysis and Columbus lottor on C bb.)

"What should be Done?" 300 additional copies of this CPSU statement and of the Wash. Post editorials are available from Ludwig, S.Smith or Whitney. Both of these excellent statements should be distributed as widely as possible.

AFSC Youth Conference for Conn. Valley and Vermont will be held March 3 and 4, at Smith College, N. Hampton, Mass. Theme: Conviction means Action. Three from unit may go. Details on C bb, apply to Grand immediately if interested.

Food (added to CPSU agonda by request). Recent meals have resulted in discomfort, psychical and physical, particularly to night men. Repeated efforts to secure improvement have been unsatisfactory. A new approach will be discussed tonight.

Officers. Nominations for Unit and Union officers will open at mooting tonight and procedure for election will be decided upon.

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Fri., Mar. 9, 7:30 and 9:30 P.M. - LOUIS W. SCHNEIDER of AFSC will meet with those interested. Classroom.
Mon., Mar. 12, 8:00 P.M. - "Psychiatry in Action," a movie. Amuse.Hall
Wed., Mar. 14, 7:30 P.M. - CPSU Meeting. Agenda to be posted.
Tue., Mar. 20, 7:30 P.M. - FRANK T. SIMPSON speaks on "How the State Inter-Racial Commission Operates." Employes Home.
Mon., Mar. 26, 7:30 P.M. - GEORGE HOUSER, Social Action Projects, FOR.

Lou Schneider will be here Friday to talk particularly with those who signed the letter to Furnas and all others who might be interested in discussing the relationship of the AFSC to the unit. It is intimated that some change in our administrative status is pending. He especially wants the names (by this weekend) of all those who definitely will seek transfer if the AFSC withdrawal becomes complete.

State of the Unit-Opinion by Furnas. In reply to the letter of inquiry sent by 35 of the men in the Unit, Paul Furnas attempts to interpret the effect of our change of status by giving the answers of the "executive staff of AFSC-CPS" to the eight questions asked in the letter. Furnas says that his reply does not suggest that "the final word has been said on these questions." However, it would be well to read the statement (on RR bb) before meeting with Schneider.

Frank Olmstead, by coincidence, will also visit the unit on Friday and would like to discuss problems with individuals. See Grand or Baum for details. (One member of the office staff has suggested that we lock Schneider and Olmstead in a room to thresh out our problems while the rest of us take the Educational Fund and go to see "For Whom the Bell Tolls.")

Opportunities for Wives. (1) Well-paid job doing experimentation with rabbits in New Britain (40 min. by bus) for C.O. wife who has had college biology (See B. Gross). (2) Wife who would assist with care of baby and other household details for local family. Private room and bath furnished; "salary no object to right party." (phone Mrs. Epstein - 264, address - 250 Court St.)

Mental Hygiene Program. See Sareyan immediately if you are interested in participating in an action project on pending State legislation.

Softball. Workouts, beginning as soon as weather permits, will be on Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30-11:00 A.M. and 6:00-7:30 P.M. so that all interested may get to at least one practice per week. Sign up with Grand or Fox.

Report from Jaundees. "...a delightful vacation....The student nurses are really super. The food is the best...eaten in CPS with generous quantities of tasty meats, well cooked vegetables, and delightful salads But they would like pocketbook editions of Wodehouse, especially stories of Jeeves. Deliver to Gwen Hughes.

New address. Pfc. Lawrence E. Deller, 42123907, Co. B Barracks 245 MDETS, O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo.

Election. Ballots will be out by weekend and will be due Tuesday night in Classroom ballot box. Voting is your responsibility.

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Wed.,Mar.14 - C.P.S.U. Meeting
Thurs.Mar.15- Starry Cross
Fri., Mar.16- Co-op opening - 99 Center St. opposite City Hall. 7:30 - 8:00 - Lt. Gov. Wilbert Snow and Father Dunn of the Windsor Locks Cooperative.
Tues. Mar.20- Frank T. Simpson - He will speak on how the State interracial commission operates, Employees' Home 7:30 p.m. He will also give specific instructions to those who are planning to take part in the Migration Survey of Negroes in Middletown.
Mon., Mar .26- George Houser at 7:30 p.m. Social Action projects,FOR.

CPSU AGENDA: Sec'y's Report; Old Business: Wasted Talent, summary report of National Committee, Report of food committee, report of Mental Hygiene Committee, report on present administrative status of Unit, Report of Elections committee; New Business: U.N.'s report Ed. Sec'y's report, Lou Schneider's visit, Good and Welfare comm.

STARRY CROSS: Monthly meeting of the Starry Cross. It is an organization interested in the welfare of patients in institutions in Conn. particularly in Mental Hospitals. Meeting is on Thurs. eve. at 7:30 at 45 Church St. Hartford, across from Fox's. They are an interested and interesting group of citizens who are anxious for the aid of CPS. See S. Smith or Bernie Gross.

SCHNEIDER POLL ON WITHDRAWAL: 41 men wish AFSC withdrawal, 31 wish them to remain in sponsorship of CPS # 81. Six were "indifferent" one had "no comment", two have not voted. Of the 13 men who expressed a desire to transfer to AFSC-CPS if Selective Service takes over this unit, 8 had planned to transfer irrespective of AFSC's administrative role here. 68 men wished to stay here in any case; the remainder are undecided.

GEORGE HOUSER: Was one of the non-registering Union Theological students who landed up in jail. Since his discharge he has been devoting his time to inter-racial work and other "action projects".
ANNIVERSARY NOTES: Now we are two. Hats off to the following wheelhorses who came here two years ago this March and never got out again: Johns,Grand,Hyder,Wilson,Sareyan,Fisher,Bateman,Korn,Ritz, Haines, Muehlke,Hughes, Swiatkowski,J.

JOBS! JOBS! See bulletin board for long list of job openings for demobilized CPS men. Prepared by the Interagency Demobilization Committee.
COUNTER PROPAGANDA: to combat the impression created by the Germfask publicity the Friends propose to submit a somewhat prettier "Account to Congress and the President.." see bulletin board.
BULLETIN BOARD NOTES: in classroom, proposal for a service fellowship Coop. Several articles on freedom in Higher Education in the March issue of the Intercollegian. Most of these are written by students of the Univ. of Texas from which Dr. Rainey has been bounced by the state authorities. FOR reply to Time article on Germfask.

OFFICIAL. Procedure upon Extrication: You should report to your supervisor to hand in your keys. She gives you a slip with your time on it. This you take to the business office where you get "paid up," before you leave.

DEMOCRACY IS A DUTY, NOT A HAND-OUT! Vote tonight by 7:00 p.m.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tonight - 7:30 p.m. Frank Simpson at the Employees' Home

Thursday, March 22, 7:30 p.m. Socialist Discussion Group "Means to the End," led by Sid Pearlman. (Repeated by request). 147 Church Street. 2nd floor, side entrance.

Monday, March 26, 7:30: George Houser: FOR Social Action programs.

Tuesday, March 27, 6 p.m. Softball Meeting, Attendants' Home

Wednesday, March 21, 7:30 Attendants' Home: Mental Hygiene Committee meets to plan publicity campaign in support of certain Conn. Legislature bills. All are welcome.

C.P.S.U. MINUTES: election committee will improve election machinery to be incorporated into regular functioning of union; Schneider's poll discussed; Food Committee looking for ideas for improving meals to be presented to Administration: give yours to Rebecca Rand, M.Orlandsky or Bill Steinel; Mental Hygiene Committee to meet: see calendar; statement on status of unit to be posted in classroom for additions and criticism before it is approved and mailed out to CPS; motion to have meetings held monthly was defeated; Ed.Sec. outlined program in international relations to be launched soon; U.R. to be delegated to write strong letter opposing new CPS unit on night shift of Baxter Chemical Company.

ELECTION RESULTS: Union: Pres.,C.Brown, V.Pres. Nat.Hoffman, Tres., Harry Ludwig, Sec'y. D.McAllester. Unit: Ed. Sec. Sam Grand.

Educational Fund Discontinued by AFSC! We are no longer AFSC sponsored in any way. See also Furnas memo on Att's Home bull. bd.

BIKE WANTED: Can anyone lend Joe Fiorillo a bike three mornings a week so he can get to school and still make it back to lunch here?

EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL NOTES

Frank T.Simpson, of the State Inter-racial Commiss., will discuss the progress of the Commission since its inception with particular ref. to Middletown and its present survey -- Emp's Home, 7:30 TONIGHT!

Athletes, attention! Dr.Yerbury interested in developing outdoor athletic program for patients and employees alike. Has discussed plans for volley-ball and shuffle-board courts. Would like to see a hospital staff baseball team that could play exhibition games with visiting teams. He has asked for names of men (and women) who have had phys. ed. training and experience. If you are interested give your name at once to Sam Grand. Organizational meeting of those interested in softball at 6:00 p.m. Tues. Mar. 27, in Attendants' Home.

FARMERS! GARDENERS! The hospital is setting aside a patch of land for an employees' garden. If you are interested in staking a claim it would be well to discuss your plans with Dave McA.

Easter and Passover: a joint celebration will be held on Wed. April 4, 7:30 p.m. in the basement of the Att. Home. Since refreshments will be served reservations are necessary. See Sam Grand.

Peace-time Conscription: Chairman Clifton Woodrum has reported that hearings on PTMC would be opened as soon as the manpower draft bill is completed. Why not write the President, Senators, and Congressmen that this is no time to be pushing PTMC, when the San Francisco Conference is about to open?

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Statement of Candidate for Job of Educational Secretary

Samuel Grand

These statements become increasingly difficult to write. I hope that my record of the past six months has borne out the objectives that I outlined last September. As for the present election, my candidacy is based on the following:

One of the most compelling reasons for our leaving camp was the desire to escape from its isolation. Many of us have found another type of isolation in this unit. During the past six months, I have tried to break down this isolation by establishing contacts for our fellows individually, and for the group as a whole, with the Middletown community. These contacts have included, among others, Wesleyan University, Y.M.C.A., Ministers' Association, the Council of Social Agencies, and the F.O.R.

The process of developing these associations has taken several months. The very nature of these contacts would make it necessary for a new Educational Secretary to spend considerable time recultivating them. The plan of submitting the office of Ed. Sec. for semi-annual election is a good one because it makes possible a periodic review of the program. To insist on a hard and fast system of rotation is to limit the effectiveness of the educational program.

If continued in office for another term (no more than a second, no kiddin') I plan:

1- To stimulate individual study and self-development which forms the backbone of any educational program. Students at Wesleyan and Yale and those taking home-study courses will be given every possible encouragement.
2- To wind up the Seminar on Human Relations by March 31st and start a series of lectures and discussions on international relations, plans for world organization, post-war reconstruction etc.
3- To supplement the parties and dances with hikes and picnics.
4- To continue to integrate our group into the general community.
5- To start a photography group if there is sufficient interest.

I am deeply grateful to the members of the Education and Social Committees for their cooperation and to the many individuals, male and female, who have lent a ready hand on many occasions.

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BALLOT FOR EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

Bateman (.....)

Grand (...,..)

Place your ballot in the ballot box in the classroom of the Attendants' Home before ~~Friday~~, March 14th, 7:00 P.M.

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Monday, March 26, 7:30 p.m. George Houser, National FOR Sec'y for Action Projects speaks on "Non-violent Techniques in Inter-racial work."
Tuesday, March 27, 6:00 p.m. Baseball Meeting - Ball Field if weahter permits, otherwise in Attendants' Home
Tuesday, March 27, 7:30 p.m. Classroom - CPS Mental Hygiene Committee
Thursday, March 29, 7:30 p.m. CPSU Meeting in Attendants' Home.
Wed. April 4, 7:30 p.m. Easter-Passover Celebration in Attnd's Home.

George Houser- is the brother of our own Henry Houser. George was one of the Union Theological students who refused to register & spent 10 months in jail as a result. Since his release he completed his work at Union and has devoted himself to developing the Action Projects section of the F.O.R. Don't miss George Houser.

Baseball enthusiasts- According to all indications, there should be a good baseball team representing the hospital. Enthusiasm is high among the athletes and there are more of them than you'd imagine. The hospital authorities mean business; they've agreed to furnish all equipment and to schedule practice sessions and games on "company time." Come to this organizational meeting and practice (weather permitting) so that we can get along in earnest.

Easter and Passover- Elements of the traditional Passover Seder Service with sacramental wine, matzoh and other delicacies will be presented. Bob Clark, our CPS seminarian, will discuss the significance of Easter. Have you made your reservations with Sam G.? With funds cut off, it becomes imperative to plan very carefully. Don't delay!

Powell Lawton- the first jaundee to return, reports that New Haven has a great deal to offer besides nurses and jaundice. He is very enthusiastic about an Inter-racial Fellowship group which meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Dwight Hall and conducts a work camp alternate Saturdays. See Lawton for other details.

Peacetime Conscription- The most devastating statement in oppostion to PTMC was made by Prof. Alonzo Myers of New York University. In a recent broadcast over the American Forum of the Air he said:

"I will tell you what is back of this. There is a tremendous vested interest backing this proposal for peacetime military conscription. I will tell you what it is composed of. It is composed of ambitious military men wanting to keep many thousands of officers permanently in service and to provide some justification for permanent high military rank...It is composed of interests that would supply this vast peacetime military machine. It is composed of labor baiters and finally, of those who fear the consequences of providing a good education to all of our youth and would like to indoctrinate them and make them docile and subservient, as well as keep them off the labor market through peacetime conscription."

(tell this to your Congressmen!)

Opinion of C.O.'s by Prof.H.M.Kallen (from a letter) "In a sense, they are the salt of the earth, but too many of them have a lot of phosphate mixed with the chloride. There is a world of difference between integrity and fanataicism, and the future will need men of integrity because the past has suffered so much at the hands of fanatics."

Sale! - bookcase, card tab le,bedside table, see the Masons - Sale!

The Unit's statement on present situation, reasons for withdrawal from AFSC etc. bb in E.W.Reading room, for your comments ....

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tonight at 7:30 -- Easter and Passover Celebration in basement of the Attendants' Home -- see note below.

Thursday, April 5, Meeting of Exec. Comm. in Dr. Brown's ap't. on 2nd floor of Middle Bldg. Agenda includes Unit paper. All are welcome: 7:30 p.m. please be prompt.

Thursday, April 5, Wesleyan offers double feature:
7:30 - Chapel, Reading of Robert Frost's The Masque of Reason, by Mr. Snow.
8:15 - Downey House Ballroom, U.S.Rep. Chase G.Woodhouse of the House Banking and Currency Comm. on "Post-War Political and Economic Problems."

Sunday, April 8, 5 p.m. Bishop W.A.Lawrence will be the guest minister at the Wesleyan Chapel -- see below.

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CPSU Minutes: State of Unit report corrected and approved for circulation; plans made for Unit Newssheet to be sent out monthly (come to Exec.Committee meeting tomorrow night if you are interested in this) Watts' letter to Baxter Chem. Co. approved; Referendum on UR position approved, see bottom of sheet; Mental Hygiene Committee Report.

Easter and Passover Celebration: No fashion show or parade -- just good comeraderie, some sacerdotal refreshment and a sharing of the Jewish and Christian tradition according to Grand and Clark.

Bishop Lawrence visit: Those interested in chatting informally with the good Bishop will find him at the Wherry's ap't, on the 2nd floor of North Hospital. The soiree will start at about 7:00 p.m.

Baseball Practice: is being held every Tues.&Thurs. evening at 6 p.m. If your schedule prevents you from attending, you may arrange to practice in the morning. In any case give your name to Sam G. or directly to Mr. Waller in the Business Office.

Typhoid injections: may be had for the asking.Get in touch w.Doc Brown.

Settlement Procedings: are in order against Ted Marburg. Did he ever nail you for "some change for a phone call"? Present your bill and relieve Ted's conscience.

The Poor Man's Friend: Al Wilson remembers seeing a prediction early in 1943 in the N.Y. Times (by Gen.Hershey) to the effect that there would be 1,000,000 mental casualties from World War II. If you have that clipping or can shed any light on the subject, see Wilson.

International Relations: A series of pamphlets issued by the Commission to Study the Organization of Peace are on display in the CPS office.

Evening of Recorded Music: The Sussmans extend a cordial invitation to all music lovers: musicale at ap't. 213 in the Employees' Home on Sunday, April 8, from 7 to 10 p.m.

Coöp Store: for snacks, supplements to Hospital meals and good merchandise there is no better place to shop than the Middletown Coöp. Have you been down to the new location on Center Street?

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REFERENDUM: The CPSU meeting agreed that in the present unsettled state of the unit the election of U.R. might well be postponed. This is a referendum to give all unit members a voice in the matter.

I agree to the postponement of the U.R. elections at this time ....._____

I want the U.R. elections to be held now .....____

(Hand in to Ballot Box by April 11, 10 p.m.)

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tomorrow morning at 8 a.m. at Wesleyan: Humanities lecture at Fisk Hall. Mr. Limbach on "The Elements of Painting."

Tuesday, April 17, Out-door party and picnic at the Gilbert farm, see later announcement. Charlie Gilbert leaves for CPS on April 20th.

CPSU Notes: While we wait with baited breath to see what will become of the unit we are at a stage where we have nothing new to report. Rather than call a meeting as scheduled this Friday some of us have thought to postpone it a week. Anyone who objects strenuously to this idea tell it to George Brown or someone on the Executive Committee.

Look for the first issue of our paper "From Middletown," by next Monday at the latest. It will consist principally of the "Report on the Unit."

Letter from Exec.Committee: in an attempt to forstall the rumored possibility of the Mennonites taking over CPS 81 a letter was written to the Mennonites and another to the other constituents of NSBRO asking them to resist any pressure to make one religious body act as a coercive agent for the government when the Friends had refused to do so.

Found, a jack-knife: a horn-handled three-bladed knife was picked up at the Easter-Passover party. It's now at the CPS office.

Farm workers: we understand the hospital may still be looking for men who want to work on the farm. Tell McA. if you are interested.

Garden Plots: plowing in the employees' garden-section has not been completed due to extra wet soil in the North end. Notice will be sent around as soon as it is done.

Sympathies: we are sorry to learn of the death of Sam's father-in-law. The deep sympathy of the unit is extended to Sam and his family.

Referendum: Your vote on the postponment of the U.R. election is due in the ballot box by 10 p.m. tonight. Classroom, Att's Home.

New Address: Pvt.Lawrence E.Deller 42123607, Co. C. 61st Med. Tng. Bn. Camp Crowder, Missouri.

"Information" no longer sent here officially. You may have a private subscription by writing DeLisle Crawford, Service Committee, Phila.

Opinion, of D.McAllester: "On page 4 of the otherwise excellent April issue of the Socialist C.O. appears an account of the Middletown Ed.Sec. election which in part seems to me as emotive and as unjustifiable in view of the facts as the Time account of Germfask. With all respect for Mr.Bateman, there is no way of proving that the "intellectual maturity" of the unit would have been demonstrated by his election. The characterization of the last six months' lectures as "smug, paternalistic" etc. is ridiculous. Kallen, Lane, Simpson, Farmer and Mitchell did not come here to "praise our 'position;'" most of them scarcely mentioned it. If, as it would appear, Mr. Bateman was the candidate of the Soc.C.O. for Ed.Sec., this organ could have lost the election with more grace and editorial integrity."

Another opinion: (expressed by Dr.Yerbury in the recent meeting with Sareyan, McAllester, Whitney and Wherry) That our action in requesting Friends' withdrawal was merely ingratitude. Wherry and McAllester have written Paul Furnas asking him to explain to Dr.Yerbury the principles on which the Friends made their withdrawal.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tonight at 7:30 -- Meeting of unit to discuss action to be taken on the job ban.

Tues. Apr. 24,7p.m. Yale University's regular town meeting features Prof.Roland Bainton on "Church and State in Germany at Dwight Hall

Wed. Apr. 25th -- 7 p.m. Dancing class, 8 p.m. Public Dance at New Haven YWCA. Admission free to CPS men identified as such.

Thurs.Apr.26, 8 p.m. Prof.Kruse will give the humanities lecture on "The Nature of Philosophy," rm.15,Fisk House at Wesleyan.

Thurs.Apr.26, 8 p.m.Jaundice Unit will have Prof Hartshorne of Yale, speaking on "Education for Character."

Sun. Apr. 29, 5 p.m.Daniel Roberts of Union Theological Seminary at the Wesleyan Chapel service.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The Stilwells have done it: baby boy, name of David.

New Haven YWCA dances: according to Lawton and Ludwig "the gals are worth looking at." Jaundees may stay over at Beta Th.Pi House, others by advance arrangement at Yale Divinity or New H. Coop.

Opinion: by Owen Hughes:"At Friday's CPSU meeting one change from earlier attitudes stood out: a primary concern for 3000 helpless patients has become secondary. I think we should face our own problems with courage and integrity, but let's not fail in our obligation towards these 3000 people who are also victims of a coercive society.

That Publicity: You can get copies of the Bridgeport Sunday Herald for Apr. 15 (or other issues) for a dime plus 5¢ postage, At Lafayette Street, Bridgeport.

Bibliography on War,Peace and Reconstruction
(available in CPS Office)

J.S. Algey	Permanent World Peace
C.L. Becker	How New Will the Better World Be?
S.W. Boggs	International Boundaries
J.B. Condliffe	Agenda for a Postwar World
H.O. Eaton	Federation, the Coming Structure of World Gov't.
C.J. Hambro	How to Win the Peace
P. Hutchinson	From Victory to Peace
P.C. Nash	World Order
B. Newman	The New Europe
G. Salvemini & G. La Piana	What to do with Italy
W. Sulzbach	National Consciousness
J. Voorhis	Beyond Victory
A. Visson	The Coming Struggle for Peace
E. Wynne & G. Lloyd	Searchlight on Peace Plans
H. Freeman (ed.)	Peace is the Victory

Also issues of:
"International Conciliation" and
reports of Commission to Study Organization of the Peace

MAIL THEM OUT! copies of What Should Be Done and Washington Post Editorial on De Vault's case --- to your friends, family, Congressman, the New President --- ANYBODY --- but send them out!

Has anybody got Ludwig's copy of The Dubliners by James Joyce?

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Community Calendar:

Tonight, 7:30 - 8:30	Meeting of Mental Hygiene Committee. at Steinels	
Wed., May 2, 8 p.m.	New Haven, YMCA lounge, Prof. Rudin "Let's have the facts about Germany."	
Thurs,. May 3, 7:30 p.m.	Discussion led by Mr. Arthur J. Culler, Dwight' father, in the Att's Home classroom	
Sun., May 6 5 p.m.	Rev.Wendell Phillips of Rye,N.Y. Wesleyan Chapel	
Mon., May 7, 7:30 pm	CPS Union Meeting, Classroom, Attendants' Home	

Arthur S. Culler is famous not only as Dwight's father but as an outstanding minister who has travelled widely abroad and has taken an active part in welfare work in Cleveland. He has spent the last few months visiting CPS camps out west.

Data on Music Programs for the patients. All men who were asked to submit a brief evaluation of the recorded music p rograms are urged to submit their reports to Sareyan by Friday of this week.

Picnic at the Reynolds: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reynolds have invited members of the unit, wives and friends to an outdoor picnic at their place on Maple Shade Road. Details in next news bulletin

For General disposal: Ted Marburg has bequeathed his stock of back copies of Fortune, Atlantic, Harpers, Sat. Rev. of Lit. to the unit. To this treasure trove has been added many pamphlets on labor, religion, race relations etc. of the Round Robin. Help yourself!

Unit Library books formerly kept in classroom have been moved to CPS office where they are available as are the Wesleyan books on international relations and peace planning etc. Come look at them.

Concert of recordings: at Sussman ap't., 213, next Sat. eve. 8 p.m.

The Attendant will complete its first anniversary with the June issue, which will be a"miscellaneous symposium " Write to Phil Steere, Box 6000, Torresdale, Phila 14, Pa.

Track Practice facilities have been made available at Wesleyan for CPS men, if interested see Sam Grand for details.

For Sale: 1 pr. rubbers size 11, see C. Fox. 1 wireless automatic changer motorola portable PHONOGRAPH $25 or swap for sewing machine, see M. Sussman

Patients Friend Committee Those interested in continuing the work of this committee get in touch with Sussman. Money is available for ward parties, individual gifts etc.

OPINION (by George Brown) "The spread of rumor and counter-rumor serves only to increase the present tension and to undermine morale. The Exec. Comm is in communication with the official agencies and will keep the unit posted on latest developments. In order to coordinate our efforts, it is advisable for all of us to consult with the Exec. Committee before releasing letters or statements to the press. "

OPINION (of a Machiavellian) " We a re suffering from a constipation of ideas and a diarrhea of words." M.Sussman

APPEAL for action on the nurses draft bill, H.R. 2277. This bill is on the Senate Calendar scheduled for immediate consideration. The following figures have been unearthed and show that the army quotas can be filled voluntarily: Army needs 60,000 nurses. With 2,000 males and 1,500 negro nurses, there will be a total available in June of 59,238.

Wire or air-mail your senators immediately and oppose this unnecessary step towards the conscription of women!

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Community Calendar

Tonight at 9:30, George Brown's ap't. an Executive Committee Meeting to discuss action on the proposed withdrawal of this unit, what pressure we can marshall at this stage, the use of ACLU member in Washington who has agreed to represent us to Selective Service on any issue.....

Monday, May 7 at 7:30 p.m. in Classroom, CPSU meeting. Agenda below,

Thurs., May 24 picnic at Prof. Reynolds' make reservations for you and your girl with Sam Grand.....

CPSU Meeting Agenda: Report on correspondence concerning state of the unit; discuss use of a representative for the unit in Washington; consider possibility of a regional conference of New England locals of CPSU to be held at Middletown; report of "Job Ban Committee"; mental hygiene Committee report.

Official: during McAllester's vacation (May 5 - 13th) you can get furlough papers from Dr. Russman's secretary, Miss Gordon. Note that for vacation time away from the hospital these papers are your "official permission" and without them you are liable to be nipped for AWOL.

Round Robin arrangement for literature issued by CPS Mental Hygiene program: men interested in getting this literature see Grand/Sarey.

Telegram from Wm. Rhodes, Phila. Pa. to Lee Parman: "Badly need jaundice volunteers. We believe you and other assignees would like work and arrangements here. Appreciate your help in securing volunteers. Please write"

Incidental intelligence: As of May 1, Middletown is being continued as a Group III Labor Area by Gov't. officials. "An area whose supply of labor is in substantial balance with demand - or where a moderate labor surplus exists or is anticipated."

CPS Wives looking for work: there are plenty of jobs at the Hartford OPA office. If you are interested see Charlie Fox.

PROPAGANDA

There is, or shortly will be, more stuff under your door. It's up to you to ship it out to friends, acquaintances, - everybody. It has been prepared with care and trouble and contains clear statements of the injustice being done men who refuse to fight. Get it out! CPSU form #2 is important. The Mead Committee wants this information on wasted talents in CPS. It may affect the type of projects given conscientious objectors in this or the next war. Filling-out time: three minutes. Put it in ballot box.

Contributions to "From Middletown" Opinions, observations, theses, by May 12, hand them in, in toto, to Dwight Culler, ed.

Educational Notes: Charlie Fox has turned over several copies of "Searchlight on Dumbarton Oaks" to the CPS office for free distribution, to anyone who wants a copy. This leaflet contians the criticism of the Dumbarton Oaks proposals as presented by Edith Wynne, co-author of "Searchlight on Peace Plans." It is a reprint of her article in Common Sense.

Ballots CPSU men get your GEB ballots in to the ballot box in the Classroom by Wed. May 9, 1945. Note names on back of sheet.

All are welcome to the Exec. Comm. meeting tonight.

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Community Calendar

Tonight at 7:30 - CPSU Meeting in Classroom as scheduled.
Tomorrow at 7:30 and 9:30 - Meetings with Lou Schneider as outlined below...result of telegram received today.
Wed., May 9 - 7:30 p.m. - Prof. Rudin - "Keeping at Peace With Russia" at Beta House, Yale Univ.
Fri., May 11th - 7:15 p.m. - International Club, Dwight Hall, Yale Univ. - South American Evening, - Movies, Magician, Dancing.
Thurs., May 24 - Pot-luck Outdoor Picnic at Paul Reynolds' place. FOR members from Middletown are participating. Make reservations with Sam Grand.

TELEGRAM from Lou Schneider today reads as follows:

Philadelphia, Penna.
May 7, 1945

Frank Wherry --
HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM WESTERN TRIP AND LEARNED OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING MIDDLETOWN. WOULD APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY TALK ESPECIALLY WITH THOSE MEN WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY INDICATED TO ME THEIR OPINION AFSC SHOULD NOT WITHDRAW SPONSORSHIP AT MIDDLETOWN. IF CONVENIENT WOULD LIKE ARRIVE MIDDLETOWN TUESDAY MAY 8. IF INCONVENIENT FOR YOU WIRE ME AT BIG FLATS TODAY. SHALL LEAVE FOR WEST COAST END OF THIS WEEK.
Louis W. Schneider

Meetings will be held with Lou Schneider at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. in the classroom -- tomorrow evening.

The following item appeared in Information for May 4, received by a member of our unit today --
"MIDDLETOWN--Selective Service informed the AFSC this week that it is planning to move the men from CPS #81, (Middletown) Conn. State Hospital, about June 15. SSS is willing to have members of the unit who, in poll before AFSC withdrew from Middletown, indicated a desire to remain with F-CPS, transferred to F-CPS camps or units with the approval of the AFSC. Thus far, none of the names of men who indicated this preference have been submitted to SSS and no names will be forwarded except those of men who specifically ask the AFSC to do so."
(Note: This is not necessarily an authoritative statement, but is simply being quoted as another rumor which is receiving wide circulation in Information. There has been no official word received by the unit regarding its future.)

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Community Calendar

Tonight at 7:30 p.m. Special Unit Meeting in Classroom to discuss Culler's transfer to Germfask. Do not ask for whom the bell tolls .....

Thurs. May 17, 7 p.m. New Haven Jaundice - Educational Workshop, presents George Bent on Berea College.

Fri. 18th, 7:45 p.m. "Collegio ad Absurdum" in Wesleyan Theatre. Chas. and Janet Fox in leading roles, (see below)

Thurs. 24th 5 - 9 p.m. Pot-luck picnic at the Reynolds': (also below:)

Collegio ad Absurdum is a musical show written by Prof. Banks of Wesleyan and performed by members of the choir. Admission is 50¢ for couple or stag - dancing afterwards

Unit Picnic at Reynolds - Members of the local FOR are providing the food. A few cars will be available to shuttle CPS men and wives the 3 mi. Put your reservation in at once. Have some fun for a change!

Military Conscription: Hearings on P.T.M.C. will be held before the Woodrum Committee on Postwar Military Policy between June 4 - 16. The Legion is flooding Congress with mail. The War Dep't has assign- Gen. Weible and his staff plus one officer in each Corps area to work with the public on PTMC. Sec. Stimson has been holding off the record conferences with organization leaders to promote PTMC. What are we going to do about it? Write and get the folks at home to write or telegraph to: Clifton A Woodrum, Select Committee on Post War Military Policy, House of Representatives Office Building, Washington, D.C. Get busy at once!

Lost and Found: Santayana's "Persons and Places" borrowed from Stilwell or Marburg- return to Stilwell.... Pearl-handled pen knife, probably lost in Att. Dining Rm. North Wing - return to Jack Reedy.

For Sale and Sales! New shoes, 9½ brown bluchers, no ration cupon, see Owen Hughes.... Book Sale Thurs. 4-8 pm also Fri. morning, closing out Morrison's business, see: H. Hecker, E.W. 26 - Harmonica for a patient, if you know of one see B. Gross.

Official: If there has been any change in your dependency status, home address, etc. present information to Dave McA. at once. The so-called "demobilization questionnaires" should be kept up to date!

Also Official: all men over 42 may present applications for discharge. Point system for CPS demobilization to be made known soon.

Wasted Talent Survey: Only 20 people responded and filled in CPSU form #2. Get yours in without delay. Is it, or is it not worthwhile to prove that in CPS the talents of assignees have been wasted?

Henry George School is sponsoring a free correspondence course for interested individuals. See Sam Grand.

Does anyone have: "The Christian and War" by Calhoun, from Social Action "The Predicament of Modern Man" by Trueblood. If so let Sam know or otherwise get it to Charlie Fisher as soon as possible. WW 23.

Of Current Interest: April issue of The CPS G.I. published at Mancos. Will be found on the upstairs bulletin board.

DON'T FAIL TO COME TO THE MEETING TONIGHT ON THE CULLER ISSUE.

(See back of page for a couple of opinions on one thing and another.)

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Community Calendar:
Tonight at 7:30 p.m. Mental Hygiene Committee;McAllester's WW8
Tomorrow - May 24 from 5 to 9 p.m. Picnic at the home of Paul Reynolds see below for directions
Sunday - May 27, 8:30 p.m. Ray Hanson appears as soloist in concert in Hartford, also see below:
Tuesday- May 29, 7:30 p.m. CPS Union meeting in Classroom.

Look at Notices posted on bb in Reading Room for interesting events at New Haven Jaundice Unit and at Yale University.

Picnic at Reynolds' all that remains to make our picnic a success is fair weather. Quite a number of couples are coming, so are some of our Romeos and their lady friends. If you are hiking or biking from the hospital: go down Silver St. to Main St. Extension. Turn left there and go one block; then follow the right fork in the road across the ravine out to Ridge rd. Go along Ridge Rd. as far as Randolph Rd. Go right, along Randolph Rd. until you reach Maple Shade Rd. Go down Maple Shade Rd. for ½ mile unitl you reach Reynolds' place. His name is on the mail box out at the road. You can't miss it. View

By bus: If you can make the 4:45 New Haven bus at Park Pharmacy opposite the Green get off out at the Sanibel Sanitorium. Cross the road and follow Maple Shade Rd. out to the Reynolds'.

By bus #2: Take South Main bus at the Green (15 minutes before & after each hour) as far as the intersection of Randolph and Ridge Rds Thence along Randolph Rd. until Maple Shade and the Reynolds place.

Hanson Concert: Ray will be the soloist at the concert of the Harrt School Training Orchestra at the school's auditorium on Broad St. in Hartford. The program will consist of Mozart's Overture to "Lucio Silla" and Hayden Symphony #7 in C Major. Ray will play the Grieg concerto in A minor for piano and orchestra. He will also give a solo group including Chopin's Etude Op 10 no.1, and Berceuse and the Naila Waltz by Delibes-Dohnanyi.

Peacetime Military Conscription: Have you read the Case against Compulsory Peacetime Military Training by Lt. Col. Roscoe S. Conkling. A copy is on the BB, others are being circulated. See BB for Hanson Baldwin's article in Harpers and for latest information in Conscription News. We must make every effort to defeat the May Bill.

GET BUSY! GET BUSY NOW!

"Demobilization" Questionnaires: the information that may get you out will be given to SS from personnel form #2. Check with McAllester if you have any doubt that yours is on file or if you have any additional information to go on it on 1. marriage, 2. dependency, and 3. change of address to which you would like to be demobilized.

Union Ballots there has been a delay in getting them in from some units so if you haven't voted you still have time.

Our latest poll: Low Hill would like permission to give the names and wishes expressed on our recent poll as to where men would be willing to go if this unit closes, to Paul Furnas. Do any men wish to register changes or have their names withheld or object to having the list made public? Concerns on this matter should be taken to George Brown or members of the executive Committee.

Note: Paul Furnas' letter to Bernie Gross, on bb. He has hopes of being able to take AFSC-withdrawal men in AFSC camps or units. If you want to go write in to Adrian Gory or Paul Furnas, 20 South 12th street and get yourself on record.

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Community Calendar

Friday, June 1, 7:30 pm Movies on the peoples and problems of the international community. Sponsored by the Wesleyan International Relations Club at the '92 Theatre.

Tues. June 5, 8 am - Humanities Lecture, Mr. Kruse on the philosophy of science. 15 Fisk Hall, Wesleyan

Thurs. June 7, 8:00 pm - Dr. William Axling formerly of Tokyo, Japan, and Gripsholm Repatriate on "Focal Facts about Japan," at Middletown Y.M.C.A. (see below)

Sat. and Sun. June 9 - 10. 16th Annual conference of WRL at Camp Goodwill, Butler, N.J. (also see below.)

Dr. William Axling and his wife served for several years as missionaries carrying on extensive social welfare, educational and evangelical work among 1 million industrial workers in lower Tokyo until Pearl Harbor. After months of internment the Axlings returned to America on the Gripsholm in December, 1943. Dr. Axlings' address will be given on the occasion of the Annual Meeting of the Greater Middletown council of Churches. CPS men have been invited.

W.R.L. Conference: speakers on the program include Harry Paxton Howard, DeWitte Wyckoff, Lawrence Hosie, Josiah P. Marvel, Winston Dancies. See bulletin board in reading room for the WRL bulletin on the conference and for pertinent details.

Friends Report on C.P.S. The Hartford Courant has reacted editorially to the report on CPS published by AFSC. Other newspapers have carried news stories of this report. See in reading room for clippings

Wedding Bells will ring out on Sat. June 2nd at 10 am for Bob Clark and Frances Edmundson at the bride's home in Leonia, N.J. Congratulations and best wishes to Bob on the completion of his courses in the ministry and courtship at one and the same time. C.P.S. has its compensations.

Relative point Standing for Demobilization: McA. has worked up the following point scores as for June for this unit. 58, 57, 56, 52, 49, 48 (seven men) 47, 46 (three men), 42,40 (3), 39 (5), 37 (6) 36 (6), 35 (4), 34, 33, 32 (2), 31 (2), 30 (2), 29, 28 (4), 26 (5) 25 (4), 24 (3), 23, (4), 22 (3), 21 (2), 20, 19, 18, 14 (2), 13. Actually we are not entirely sure what the whole system will be but this list can give you an idea of the relative standing of you and your friends. We leave the percentiles etc. to the Batemans and other mathematicians of the unit.

Rumor Clinic Alex Sareyan is eager to spike all the various rumors that have sprung up as a result of his visit to Philadelphia on May 28. He heard nothing authoritative, just the old June 15th story. His visit was purely personal.

Peacetime Military Conscription: The Time is SHORT. Hearings of the Select Committee will begin on June 4th. Have you written to the members of that committee? Use your home address.

Clifton A. Woodrum, Chmn....Va.
Andrew J. May .....Ky.
Carl Vinson .....Ga.
Schuyler Otis B land .....Va.
Patrick H. Drewry .....Va.
J. Buell Snyder .....Pa.
Harry R. Sheppard .....Cal.
Michael J. Bradey .....Pa.
George J. Bates, ... Mass.
James W. Wadsworth..... N.Y.
D.Lane Powers, ...N.J.
James W. Mott.....Ore.
Leslie C. Arends .....Ill.
W. Sterling Cole.....N.Y.
Bernard W. Kearney.....N.Y.
Lynden B. Johnson .....Tex.

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FOUR IMPORTANT ITEMS!

1. ON DEMOBILIZATION. Your Selective Service System Adjusted Rating Card was put under your door with this news sheet. This card is your official request for discharge from CPS; fill it out carefully - we have no extra cards. If you have doubts as to what to fill in refer to Admin. Instruct. No. 24 on the bulletin board in the East Wing reading room or ask McAllester. Return cards to CPS office at once. June 15 is the latest date by which all cards should be in the office for completion ready to be sent on to Selective Service. If the cards are not sent in to Selective Service on time, completely filled in, and signed by each assignee, they will not be considered by SS.

2. LETTER FROM PAUL FURNAS to Lew Hill:
"Any man now in the CPS unit at the Middletown H ospital other than the 30 men about whom an understanding was reached at the time we withdrew, who wishes to work with the AFSC in its CPS program, can make application for transfer through the hospital sup't. to Selective Service. If he will at the same time let us know that he has made this application, we will be glad to consult with him in order that we may be able to notify SS of our willingness to accept him as a member of the camp or unit to which he has requested transfer If there are men in the unit who wish transfers to Brethren or Mennonite camps or units, or to the units of any of the other religious bodies, we suggest that they follow a similar course with them."
Any man to whom this applies should be sure he has done what he could along the lines of procedure suggested by Paul Furnas. See McA. if you have any doubts. Lew's letter, with other pertinent remarks by Paul Furnas is on the East Wing reading room bull.bd.

3. CPSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in the classroom, Wed. night from 9:30 p.m. instead of a regular CPSU meeting, unless someone strenuously objects between then and now. Matters for discussion:
1. Next issue of From Middletown
2. State of the unit.
3. Question of CPS men combatting fire-bombs.
4. Any direct action to be taken by men here to resist removal
Lew Hill's letter, (see b.b.) also stresses that men's applications for transfer shoul d stress the fact that they wish primarily to remain at Middletown. "Under no circumstances should a large group of transfer applications be allowed to give the impression that the men accede in Middletown's closing. As Furnas suggests, action of this sort ought to be immediate if it's desired at all."

4. SIGN-OUT BOOKS. The hospital administration is checking up and is dissatisfied with the way the sign-out requirements are being met in many cases. I have been asked to announce that:
1. sign-out as well as furlough slip are required for men going on vacation.
2. many sign-outs at one time by the same man are not acceptable
3. the hosp. admin. is aware of many more departures than those which have been signed out for.
Dr. Russman observed that it seemed like a minor restriction for the men to risk getting into trouble over.

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THE DOPESHEET

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DISCHARGEES: your attention is called to the following service. The housekeeper, Floyd Greenleaf, has assembled packing supplies such as cartons in the bike shed. Please see him if there is any way in which you may be helped to get out of this place.

THE FORERUNNERS, a division of the FOR, has sent the edsec a pack of material which would be highly interesting to anyone ever planning to work with young people. If you're interested, stop around.

AND WHILE THE MATTER of stopping to see the edsec is up for consideration how are your school plans coming? The edsec knows of a great many fellows' hopes in an academic way, does he know of yours? Advantages to be had include a limited collection of college catalogs, a much wider set of opinions as to what schools are good or bad, and concrete things to do about applying for financial aid.

IF ANYONE WISHES to give "The Christian Century" as a Christmas present and get 1/3 off the usual price, see the edsec for the availabe cheque.

THE WEDNESDAY EVENING ENTERTAINMENT on December 19th is to-be-attended. Willard Uphaus, head of the International Religion and Labor Foundation, editor of ECONOMIC JUSTICE, etc., is visiting us. He is neither a bruiser nor a Christer and yet manages to put across the vigor of both. I'd come if....

THE MATTER of spending money is up for discussing at a meeting on this Monday (Dec. 17th) at 7:30 p.m. in Cottage One. This is a come-on for you to attend the Patients Care Committee meeting then. The agenda includes: Christmas presents for the patients (the really under-privileged majority in this Hospital), distribution of welfare to them, summary statement phase of the MHP, etc. You are encouraged to attend; midnight meeting for those on the second tour that day.

TELEPHONE BILLS which remain unpaid as of December 15th will cause the debtors to forfeit use of the hospital 'phones for the next month.

PERSONNEL committee meeting agenda for the 12.17.1945 session: safety coverage, 2nd tour diet, off-ward assignments, and night shift.

HAVE YOU spent the last few months in a quandry wondering what you will do for a job when CPS is no more? If you have, or if you're just browsing around for the job opportunity that happens to suit your particular needs, the following articles might prove helpful in your deciding what to do and/or where to do it: A business of my own, by Arthur Morgan (in the persec's office); Occupational Outlines Bulletin (on the table outside the persec's office, along with other good material); You can still do it today, an article in the Saturday Evening Post for October 6, 1945; and, of course, the "Job Opportunities" section of each issue of INFORMATION, BCPS BULLETIN, or MCC-CPS BULLETIN.

INSTEAD OF SPENDING your money (?) on Christmas gifts, send a food package to a needy family in Europe. If you want the name of such a family, see Ben Segal. REMEMBER ALSO the CPS War Relief Fund....such contributions as food packages count in this, too; see the edsec and register your contribution. To date only 16 of our members have shown any concern in this way for relief work. 100 have not. Have YOU ?

MONDAY IS the deadline for applications for the fourth run of the Life-raft Ration experiment to begin January 15th. See the bull. bd. or perse

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LOOKING BACKWARDS, did you have a merry Christmas? Did you see all the Christmas cards wishing the best of the season to us? Some of them have messages to "all of the fellows in CPS 49", as they put it. A listing of cards received would be something like this: from Horace Alexander, Arthur Stevenson, Rosemary Morrow, Frances McCollin, Caryl and Mike Marsh, Horace Smith, N.S.B.R.O., Bud and Edythe Gordon, Nelda Widenhouse, Merrill Barnaby, Becky Bonner, the Longstreths, the Schaum-Chambers, the Catholic Workers at Maryfarm, Phyl and Gene Holdredge, [illegible] Stevensee, John Morgan, Helen and Bert Baily, Bob Stevenson, and Ken Mayer.

LOOKING FORWARDS, are you planning on a happy NEW YEAR? With possible demobilization, too, huh?

BOX SCORE on the CPS War Relief Fund (CPS #49 division):
number of CPS49men indicating contributions: 24
total value of our contributions to date:$86.50

WILL THE PERSON WHO took the symphony ticket for the Dec. 15th performance and didn't give the edsec any hint as to who he was, please leave some indication if he takes the ticket now being offered for the performance of the 29th (see the bulletin board). It's not that the edsec minds losing the $$6, it's just that he'd like to know whether the same person is getting the ticket each time or not.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, the 2nd of January, the speaker will be Mr. Paul L. Benjamin. He is executive secretary of the Public Charities Association of Pennsylvania. The topic of a lot of bullsessions, discussion groups, and council meetings here recently has been "What can we do about Byberry?" Come on Wednesday to Cottage One and hear a fresh voice on the subject... and one with some authority as well as interest.

SCHOOL PLANS, again. Have you made yours yet? A new stimulating sort of compendium has just been received in the edsec's office, called "A Guide to Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools in the U.S." Now, because it has just been printed. Stimulating, because it tells everything about all schools, from whether and where smoking is permitted to the pay per hour for odd-jobs in town. Inclusive, because it lists all schools, from the Children's Hospital School of Physical Therapy in Los Angeles as well as each department in Columbia University. Come in and browse.

EXIT from these halls: Clarence W. Dahl.

IF THE EDSEC were a betting man, he'd wager a fair amount that you haven't written anyone this week about stopping the Congressional enactment of universal military training. As it is, he'll go so far as to promise the furnish all the postage stamps for letters you write on this subject....stamps are in the edsec's office, things-to-be-written-about are suggested on the bulletin board. There'll be a big addressing campaign on from January 1 to 7, can you be counted on to help?

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE agenda for December 31st meeting: assignments, ward men, orientation, night shift, replacement of chargemen on "B" building.

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ballot;
we would like, [illegible] tomorrow evening, to settle finally [illegible]
our group decision.

On the first ballot, these scored: Ortlip 3, [illegible] [illegible]

Some remarks first: I'm sorry I [illegible] say anything on the last ballot about the meeting the night before; [illegible] I assumed the news of it would get to you. And I'm sorry I didn't understand [illegible] the [illegible] felt - I didn't wait till it [illegible] feel [illegible]. I [illegible] it understood that Marvin wouldn't be a candidate, because of his transfer request and because of his inability to meet all the responsibilities of the job - which are to the AFSC as well as to us. Until we decide to quit the AFSC (or it quits us!) [illegible], the way, we have some responsibilities to the AFSC too - or we're at least fooling ourselves if we think we haven't, and [illegible] here. (George [illegible] the exception, [illegible] a plea for Government [illegible])

[illegible] collect information again in preparation for further and final consideration tomorrow evening, these questions:

Do you think we should continue under AFSC administration - which would mean accepting our responsibilities as well as allowing theirs?

Have you changed your opinion since the [illegible] [illegible] indicated preference for insiders vs. outsiders - is it an insider you think we should have now (remember, [illegible] said insider, [illegible] said outsider)?

Is Marvin still a candidate?

Are these enough names for final consideration: [illegible], Mercer, Ortlip?

[illegible] first, second, and third choices on these three names

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. D[illegible]

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Monday: Evaluations of Lindstrom and Wright, Farmhouse 7:30
Tuesday:
Wednesday: Pingpong?
Thursday:
Friday: Worship, Farmhouse 7:30
Saturday: Bridge?

QUOTE: It gives me great pleasure to transmit to you the recommendation of the members of this unit that Oscar W Lindstrom be appointed to serve as assistant director. Of the twelve names from this and other units which have been considered, his is the only one acceptable to every man in the unit, and is the first choice of more unit members than any other. Unquote. --Sent by Jim to the AFSC and the Colony.

ELEANOR: (But don't quote this; it is only for your information) Mrs Roosevelt has agreed to be a sponsor of the CPS-Mental Hygiene Program; she's calling a meeting of other 'leading persons' in November, to solicit their support too. MEP is unhappy that it hasn't had much from Delaware, by the way; we're encouraged or urged again to write a letter describing conditions. (The last part can be quoted. Just don't mention Mrs Roosevelt yet.)

TOY DESIGNS and other ideas of things the Colony boys could make are much wanted by Ken Snow; any suggestions?

POST-CPS FUNDS: Do you all know that the AFSC will make grants for school or college study, and can ~~xxxx~~ make loans, unsecured, to men who need help getting started in business or on farms? I have more information.

GENERAL: Detectives Allen and Cadbury scented the day-old trail of Chris' ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ stolen motorbike, found it in the woods near Magee.... Mr Carey has had enquiries from several men who may return to work on the Colony farm; it's seeming likely that one of them will move into our farmhouse....

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October 12 1942, Stockley CPS

Monday: Evaluation of Lindstrom please: farmhouse 7:30
Tuesday:
Wednesday: Pingpong?
Thursday:
Friday: Worship hour, 7:30, farmhouse
Saturday:

COMS AND GOING: Ed Roehrs' transfer came through this weekend and he'll report to Big Flats without seeing Stockley again. Marvin Ortlip's transfer has come too. And Archie Gallatin is to get his demobilization physical exam as soon as Dr Waples will let him (maybe today.); I think the SSS memo on over-35 discharges said that they would come through before the end of November.

MORE INTERESTING memos are coming in rather often these days, making it probably desirable to get to the Messick bulletin-board once a week (I'll be glad to circulate stuff if you want me to - tho it didn't work when we tried it before.)

NEW BOOKS in the library: Aldous Huxley's "The Perennial Philosophy" and David Dallin's "The Real Soviet Russia,"
Ely Culbertson on something I can't remember (not bridge).

NEW YORK SCF's board for COS (with Norman Whitney as secretary) is writing to all COSmen it knows are intending to live in the state; if you don't hear from the Board and may want to settle in New York you'll likely want to tell Norman Whitney, 302 Wilson Building, Syracuse, 2, NY - or me.

If I shouldn't tell the Committee (at Coshocton) that is planning CPS-wide action if demobilization doesn't move quickly that we're pretty apathetic here - will you let me or Oscar know?

Don

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This Week

12 November 1945, Stockley CPS

Monday: Evaluations, at the farmhouse, after bridge: 7:30
Tuesday:
Wednesday: UNIT MEETING at Messick (with food), 7:30
Thursday:
Friday: Worship at the farmhouse, 7:30
Saturday: Helen Ring and Madge Smith arriving at noon
Sunday: Ladies' Day till 5 p.m. when they leave

WANT TO HELP? George Snyder has 'adopted' a Spanish family and is starting to send it a package of food every week. Would some of the rest of us like to join in sending packages to some other hungry Europeans? Quoting POLITICS: "It is going to be a hard winter in Europe. The hardest in centuries. Harder than any winter during the war. Only supplies from America can keep great numbers of European men and women and children from literally freezing and starving to death this winter.... What 'our' Government will not do, we can do...." If you'd like to join Roy Seaver in sending something as often as we want to afford the cost, will you tell him - or me - how much money you'd want to contribute - each month maybe? Addresses of needy families can be obtained from Politics, from The Call, and from the Friends World Committee - or shall I ask the FOR to suggest one?

THE MEETING ought to be good, it's so long since we've had one. Sorry, no agenda yet, except for the food. And the farewell to Archie Gallatin, if he's to leave the first of December.

GIRLS! Helen Ring - whom most of you know - and Madge Smith are both secretaries in the CPS Education Office in Philadelphia. They'll likely be at Messick much of Saturday (certainly during the evening), and maybe much of Sunday.

EVALUATIONS of yourselves should be returned to Archie or Roy or Chris or Jack or me today if you want the meeting tonight to have the help of your opinions.

JIM HICKS reports at Welfare Island on Thursday as a diet guinea pig.

BOOKS AND RECORDS that are Unit property may as well be spoken for now if you'll want them; I'm sending in our inventory, and it would be good to say which items individuals would like to buy - or beg. I'll have the list at the meeting Wednesday.

Isn't it wonderful to see oranges and grapefruit again?

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Monday:
Tuesday: Current events discussion, Messick
Wednesday: Pingpong at Davies
Thursday:
Friday: Worship hour, farmhouse, 7:30
Saturday: Party with Pauline
Sunday: Plus Pauline

This week

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Stockley CPS

ARCHIE is in his last week at Stockley. Be sure to visit the laundry if you possibly can this week, and let him and Orrie show you --proudly, as they should!--what they've done to the place. It's wonderful, really. Archie leaves Saturday.

LETTER from a lady in Dover: May I begin by saying that my hat is off to the Conscientious Objector and I hope that time will prove his objections are helping create the better world of which we dream. Only recently have I learned that there is a group stationed at Stockley.... Do they have any needs that friends could help on?.... I know your work there must be of great benefit to those in the Colony, and I pray you can feel a sense of satisfaction in so serving altho it may be far from your first hopes. Surely more and more are feeling that "without vision the people perish," and that the military way is not bringing us closer to universal brotherhood and peace. ....I am a member of Mr Lowell's church and learned of you from him. Cordially yours, Mrs Christabel Mack.

SHALL WE VISIT churches within range that we can get ourselves invited to, to tell young people's groups or others in about COs, about peacetime conscription, about food for Europe? I've been planning to write to all the churches whose addresses I can get, asking whether they'd like to have us come. (If you know any addresses, or ministers' names, will you please tell me?)

CHRISTMAS CARDS made by CPSmen (Byberry) Morgan and Steere can be seen in the Messick readingroom; and I have ordered 100 of these from the American Missionary Association: "Unusually attractive Christmas greeting cards, five by seven inches, depicting Christmas scenes of children of different racial groups playing together.... The legend on the card reads '... and we ask Thy help and guidance that we may do our utmost to help make this a better world, a world in which children may grow up unafraid.'" I'll tell you when the 100 arrive, in case you'll want some.

NOTES: How should education funds be spent between now and March 2?.... The record-player is being fixed, will be back soon if it isn't sold and replaced by the little one one .... Henry and Lydia Cadbury, Christ parents, will be visiting him December 3.... And Pauline Seaver will spend her last Delaware weekend here, this Saturday and Sunday.... I'm off to see Lois at Northfield, Mass., till Friday night....-Don

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[illegible] toward the end of [illegible] Sunday [illegible] Curley [illegible]. A little later Chris discovered that Curley's [illegible]. Chris [illegible] locked [illegible] night, [illegible] he wears a large bandage [illegible] stitches and clamps and sulfathiazole and blood, [illegible] working right away. George Snyder has been in the [illegible] left Sunday for four days; Don will help Floyds till he gets back.

[illegible] left Sunday for two days in [illegible], [illegible] she'll go on to Nebraska, [illegible].

[illegible] AND LIDIA CAUDURI will be down Tuesday to see Chris - and others if we want to talk.

[illegible], Minister of the Interior in Germany after the last war (in the Weimar Republic, don't they say?), and now at [illegible] Hill, will be down Thursday evening. [illegible] if it's at all possible; he's an enjoyable good man.

[illegible] growing interest [illegible] Navy - [illegible] come [illegible]nos."

[illegible] good [illegible] really [illegible]

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10 December 1945, Stockley [illegible]

[illegible] at Messick (they say)
[illegible] meeting, farmhouse, 7:30 [illegible]???
[illegible] UNIT MEETING at Messick, 7:30
[illegible]
[illegible] Moranin, Farmhouse [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] to the [illegible] at the U of Penn hospital ... a [illegible] said I would [illegible] Thursday ... I told him I couldn't wait that long [illegible] back to work. But they rounded [illegible] the stitches, and put me in the hospital. They [illegible] penicillin every three hours, ... they will take [illegible] on Monday. I called up my sister yesterday, an[illegible] writing stuff and some books... I sleep 10 hou[illegible] in the day, but don't get too much to eat...

[illegible] let's getting monotonous, but not yet to [illegible] regurgitation. I'm still sweeping and mopping [illegible] interesting work assignment next week when some[illegible] will anybody from there be in N Y a few [illegible]?

[illegible] MEETING on Wednesday should choose (yes) a new Education Sec[illegible] and Personnel Secy. for I'm scheduled for release [illegible] to be away more than two weeks between now a[illegible] There will be other considerations at the meeting, bu[illegible] Eating schedules, maybe; and Jack [illegible] his Executive Committee meetings ... [illegible] the cozy company....

[illegible] schools which Negroes may attend. On[illegible] the other is at the Negro college nea[illegible] a Negro truck driver last week who [illegible] Philadelphia, he doesn't like thi[illegible] wife a teacher. Would we like to [illegible] interestingly [illegible]

[illegible] next year if he [illegible] and interesting.

[illegible] Philadelphia Friends who visite[illegible] last Monday, are they gentlemen[illegible] They left money "for [illegible] quietly with those t[illegible]

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This week

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Monday: Evaluation meeting, Messick 7 o'clock?
Tuesday: Bridge, Messick
Wednesday: [illegible] MEETING AND CHRISTMAS PARTY, Messick 7:30
Thursday:
Friday:
Saturday:

[illegible] AND PARTY will be our last chance to do several things. The Woodstown (N J) Friends have sent down a box of Christmas gifts, and Wednesday will be our last chance to be together before Christmas and the end of 1945.... ~~and~~ Most immediate item of business for the party: choosing an edsec - because Booth'll be away till January 8 and is supposed to be discharged soon after that.

DIRECT ACTION is a new publication "devoted to an American Revolution by non-violent methods." It's very well done and interesting.... In the Dorm.

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THIS WEEK (December 31, 1945)

(Under a new management which promises nothing as to the future of this sheet or those whose activities are its concern.)

The schedule (mostly tentative)

Monday--Cadbury and Seaver and anyone else interested ought to discuss the development of a Stockley publication. Right after supper at Messick.

Tuesday--

Wednesday--Allen, could we have bridge at Messick, 7:30 maybe?

Thursday--Anyone interested in a handicrafts class meet at Messick at 7:30.

Friday--Shopping trip. Worship--maybe we could have hymn sing at Messick if anyone would be interested.

Saturday--If Allen is free, the evaluations committee ought to finish their job--Messick as early as possible.

Comment:

On the schedule--The crafts activity is the result of a Seaver and Lindstrom expressed interest, plus the leatherwork tools and books and whittling knife my wife me for Christmas and the leather Don has left over that he wants to sell. Oscar has some patterns for things in leather in addition to his skill in carving. Maybe there are other things he could teach us, too. Other guys have skills they might be willing to share with others of us who don't have them but would like to develop some. If you have either the skills or the desire to develop them, come around.

On activities of persons--What an empty place during the holidays. Seaver, Krantz, Djakovich, Cadbury, and Kinser didn't get home for Christmas but Harry and Pete both had their wives with them. With only three of us there, Messick was almost a happy home. Joe takes his January days this week in order to be on one of those "New Year's Parties". Some guys really can take it!! I got three days in Philly, including one night at Pendle Hill last week. Feel like a new man with a little more inspiration and renewed ability to "take" Stockley. Don writes that he and Lois are being houseparents for a large group of youth hostelers so he's in his element, I guess. He and George are eligible to apply for discharge on January 1 but Don won't be back until the 8th so will be a little late. Orrie left Christmas Day via Phillips' car. He was feeling an oncoming cold and wanted to be home if he was going to be sick. Joe reported that (or was it George) he was not looking so good when they got to ~~Philly~~ Wilmington. Anyway, he's on the Big Flats records now. And we're down to twelve.

On invitations--Mrs. Mack of Dover invited two of us up for Christmas dinner but no one could go. Also, we have a standing invitation to come up on Sunday. If anyone would like to or could go sometime, get her address from Oscar or me and let her know. Mrs. Baker of Georgetown invited me to come in there and use her home on Christmas "and bring any of the men you want to". I think we'd find a welcome there any time also--at least, for a visit, and she's a fine person.

On releases--Joe was told in Philly that he could expect to be out in February if he is scheduled for March release because the schedule is based ona 30-per-day release rate and they are doing 50 a day now.

Goetz gets (it's good if you pronounce his name right) here the 8th.

I have on hand a new AFSC publication listing all agencies "men of good will" might want to work through in all kinds of fields. It's very thorough, I think and helpful if you're looking for groups to work through or with.

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THE WORD IS RESISTANCE - I

The history of CPS for younger generation American pacifists has been an object lesson in conscription. It has also been a demonstration of the inadequacies of traditional peace church pacifism and the philosophy of non-resistance, service and comprimise. Witnissing first-hand the evils and injustices and injury to individual personality done by conscription, few thoughtful CPS men can any longer subscribe to the service-at-any-price and never-force-an-issue philosophy which has seemed to dominate peace church thinking.

It is clear that something of the backbone of early pacifism has gone out of the contemporary peace church leadership. The key to this may perhaps be found in the increasing respectability of these groups. This respectability has reflected itself in an increasing emphasis on service, that most popular of all modern ideas. While in the Civil War, for example, the Friends refused to accept alternative service in hospitals, contending that it would be a penalty for refusing to bear arms, in the present war they have gladly accepted just such service and even under pay-less, regimented conditions. (continued on p. 3)

HIGH TIME

No. 1 C.P.S. 41, Eastern State Hospital, Williamsburg, Va. July 23,'45

COTÉ JAILED

DEFIES ARBITRARY ORDER TO TRANSFER TO AFSC CAMP

Gordon Coté was sentenced, July 9, by a Newport News court to two years in the federal reformatory at Petersburg as a result of the first instance in CPS 41 of defiance of an arbitrary order of the hospital supt. and Selective Service transferring an assignee to another camp. At the same time this signifies a desperate revision of policy by SS in regard to the handling of cases which previously had been disposed of by direct transfer to Germfask.

While this constitutes just one more example of the incompatibility of the individual and conscription, it indicates a trend in the manner in which the individual is to be sacrificed. This trend is further evidenced by the inability of men to transfer to govt. camp.

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7 APPLY FOR GOVT. CAMP; REQUESTS DENIED BY SS

Colonel Kosch has denied the requests of seven men from Williamsburg for transfer to government camp. In a letter to Dr. Barrett, supt. of the hospital, Kosch explained that no transfers could be effected until final CPS demobilization plans are made and the general freeze relaxed. Requests on the basis of principle were apparently ignored by SS. No man can be transferred unless he is about to "crack up", or his work is considered unsatisfactory by the superintendant.

Kosch's letter was directly concerned with four men: Fred Bissler, Ed Brinton, Bill Ambler, and Jerry Myers, who stated they were no longer able to remain honestly in a unit either administered or sponsored by a religious agency. Dick Taylor, who applied previously, and Roy Finch and Joe Libbon, who applied for transfer

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This newslettter is the product of a small group in Unit 41. It does not reflect the opinions of the entire unit. The reason for its birth is simple. When we found we had a certain group quite united on the various issues facing COs these days, we decided to start a type of correspondence which might stir up response in other camps. Material from Germfask and Middletown has aided what we feel to be the present trends. Most of all, such letters incite direct and united action. The editors are convinced that the time has come for new action. We invite replies from those who agree or disagree.

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ZALDUONDO NEWSLETTER #10

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Zalduonde Project of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit
Luquillo, Puerto Rico, January 26, 1945

An apology is due from your new reporter for omitting the issue of the Newsletter for December. Pressure from extra work in December and the fact that He was new on the job are the main reasons. Then too, it was felt that with the holidays, which down here extend to January 6, we should not split the activities into two parts but keep them as an integrated whole.

Every new year brings the usual inventories of accomplishments during the preceding year and a setting of goals for the coming one. The first of these we shall try to enumerate briefly in this issue. The latter, while we have done a lot of thinking and talking about it, has not materialized sufficiently for publication due to a number of factors, some of them beyond our control.

We have had a number of changes in personnel during the past two months; those who have left we miss and those who have joined us we are extremely happy to have.

Departures: Everett Crouch and his wife Juanita Ruiz bade us goodbye late in November. Everett has joined the Army as 1-A-O. While here he served extremely well as our gardener, a capacity from which we are still reaping the delicious benefits, and as agricultural extension agent, in which he met the people of the area and drew them closer to the unit with his rare but natural gift of friendliness.

Ted Haines departed for the States early in December by reason of health due to the climate. He served well in the capacity of office manager, reporter and what have you.

Evan Davis left us in the middle of January. He had served here as cook for the unit since its inception, for a long period never having any relief from his duties.

To all these men we give our heartfelt thanks for their service at Zalduondo.

Arrivals: Almost on each others heels cam Pickering, Schroeder, Greene, and Erdman in the middle of December.

Woodrow W. Pickering is the cook and household manager at the St. Just unit. He was born at Johnson City, Tenn. Nov. 2, 1913; A.B. Berea College; M.A. New York Univ.; Director of Music at Presbyterian Settlement School In Buckhorn, Kentucky; CPS - #11 Ashburnham, Mass., #37 Coleville, Calif., #84 Concord, N. H.

Oramel Greene is the recreation assistant. He was born at Curran, Michigan on Dec. 14, 1921; B.S. Michigan State College; farmer; CPS - #94 Trenton, N. Dak.

Donald S. Erdman is handy man; cooking, gardening, building, privy councilling. He was born in New York City on April 22, 1919; Agriculture (zoology) Cornell Univ. amateur fisherman; CPS - #11 Ashburnham, Mass., #12 Williamstown, Mass., #12 Cooperstown, N. Y., #84 Concord, N. H.

Ralph Schroeder is a social worker for St. Croix. We do not have all of the information we should for Ralph but he was at CPS #14, Marom, Ind. and #68 Cheltenham, Md.

Bryn Hammarstrom, who arrived the last day of the year is the laboratory technician. He was born in Brooklyn, N. Y. on August 6, 1917; chemistry, Wesleyan Univ.; apprentice at Asphalt mixing plant, apprentice at oil terminal, research chemist for asphalt

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ZALDUONDO NEWSLETTER #11

Zalduondo Project of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit
Luquillo, Puerto Rico, February 26, 1945

During this shortest of months we of the Puerto Rican family have enjoyed some delightful weather while our friends and relatives of the North have been suffering from one of the worst closed winters of many a year. Except for the last few days of the month, there have been sunshine and cool breezes every day. The dryness has changed some of the leaves on a few trees to brilliant reds and yellows in sharp contrast to the luxuriant green ever present in the tropics. With this natural beauty all about us, we are trying to bring a tiny bit more of loveliness into the lives of people.

Let us look into some of the problems of reconstruction and see what glamour is there. A few weeks ago there was a fire in Lares which destroyed a large section of the town, leaving many homeless. Happily, there were few minor injuries and no serious ones. The Red Cross quickly came on the scene and set up camp to do its usual job of aiding stricken families. The Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit offered one man from each religious unit to help get things in order until the people were again able to manage their own affairs. No more were offered, for we already have programs in public health and hospitalization which cannot be abandoned. Chris Ahrens, the Zalduondo member working at Lares, wrote a letter telling of some of his experiences. It is quoted in part:

"Living a luxurious life in a 15' x 15' tent with no latrine, no place to wash, no privacy, no food except from a can. Last night received a box of fresh stuff from Castaner which was like a turkey dinner. The meals here have been nothing but rice and beans, so even the cans are better than nothing. No fresh fruits, little milk, and little immediate possibility of securing more.

"We happen to live in the first tent of the row at the entrance to the camp and it is about equivalent to living in a fish bowl. I always have believed Puerto Ricans go to bed early, but we seldom have an empty tent before 11 o'clock. Today it has rained all day and, although we had hoped to accomplish a great deal, it was a welcome change or respite from the last 3 days. Sunday was spent in getting a bird's eye view of the camp. What a mess! For the 379 people here there are two Army-type slit trenches (in place of latrines), two water faucets, and the food is served on the top of drums used for "basura" (refuse).

"Have been able to secure some 12 latrines now and just waiting for the rain to stop to get them installed. We have moved some tents around and now have about a 30' x 30' space for some recreation. Also have some tables, some old wood for platforms, a few tools - not enough - and a movie camera for tomorrow night which was brought from Castaner this morning." . . . . . Friend, Chris"

Here again, as everywhere in CPS, one is faced with disappointment and frustration; but, amid it all, there are compensations. A certain amount can be accomplished if one has the will to do it, as evidenced by the following. When Stan arrived on the scene, a means of distributing food to the homeless had not been devised satisfactorily, and he suggested food cards; but the answer was given that it would take too long to have them printed and distributed and, besides, one could not get printing done. Within 24 hours he had some printed and distributed so that an effective system of feeding could be inaugurated.

With Chris at Lares, the program of latrines and back yards has been at a standstill here. However, the recreation program is going by leaps and bounds and the clinic work continues with Dr. (Si) Potts in charge and Bryn Hammerstrom building up the effectiveness of the lab.

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ZALDUONDO NEWSLETTER #12

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Zalduondo Project of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit
Luquillo, Puerto Rico, April 26, 1945

OH'S AND AH'S On March 21, the Pan-American line discharged a passenger bound for the Zalduondo Project. No, she wasn't a transfer. The name - Mary Esther Williams; brunette, dark eyes; Vassar graduate - A.B., Euthenics, Public Health; Haverford - M.A., Relief and Rehabilitation; has worked in department store, rubber factory, as lifeguard in YW pool, trainee in the clinic of a Farm Labor Supply Center in Texas, operated by the War Food Administration, and on survey for Social Security; is interested in group recreation work, sports, public health. We are happy to have her with us sharing work and life in general on the same plane as the CPS men. Already she has effected some worthwhile changes in some of the milk station routine, has become the counselor in a newly formed Girl Scout troop and has helped Chris Ahrens with a new survey of the families on the project relative to health, nutrition, education, knowledge and use of the facilities available at the Community Center.

ST. JUST HAS GROWN AND PRODUCED At St. Just from July to Dec. 1944, Chic single-handed, explored community needs by becoming accuainted with key persons and developing leadership and organizing a Boy Scout troop. He also cooperated with the school, P.T.A., churches, etc., in musical and other programs. Early December, Woody Pickering came as cook and very soon afterwards started a chorus at the local Second Unit School, which has performed widely. Ike (Ivan Chatham) transferred from Zalduondo and his wife, Thelma, and daughter, Jeannie, came out from Robinson School in San Juan. He made a survey of privy conditions, which terminated in a campaign for making them sanitary. The campaign consisted of a public meeting sponsore by the P. T. A., talks to school teachers and students, and the beginning of moving latrines in cooperation with the "granjeros" (owners or operators of small farms). In the middle of January, Jerry Williams came from the States as medical social worker and joined in to carry a large share of the latrine sanitation work, while at the same time he has given classes in microscopic study in the Second Unit School and assisted in the Community Center program. Chris Ahrens has rendered a valuable service in helping the privy moving and in the development of educational drawings for the use in the work bot at St. Just and Zalduondo.

In January Chic and Jerry started a program of small games in El Centro, started a circulating library of 60 books, and obtained from the Commission on Sports and Recreation, baseball equipment which has been loaned to the local team for their practice and games (so far 3 wins and 1 loss). One distinctive element of the St. Just program has been and is the development of community leadership and responsibility as shown by the fact that a Scoutmaster and Committeemen are serving for the troop and now the granjero instead of PRRA, takes the initiative in the privy moving.

FUN - OFFICIAL & UNOFFICIAL Wednesday, March 21, we were extremely fortunate in having Ventura Barnes, naturalist, address a sizable audience and show his colored movies of his expedition to the interior of Columbia and Venezuela, where he went for bird specimens. Some of the territory filmed never had been seen before by white man. At one time the party saw no other human life for six weeks. Incidentally, he told of another expedition which he made near the same region where the party was chased for nine days and nine nights by headhunters. Before discovering the presence of the savages they lost two natives who were left guarding the equipment. Their supplies were looted but only things containing metal were taken. This meant mos of their photographic equipment and other technical supplies. They started to carry what remained but soon had to abandon everything as the chase began. Nothing could cor Vince Ventura to return to the same area. The Sabana Boy Scouts made their first overnight expedition to the Luquillo Playa (beach to you) on Friday, March 23. Besides the thrill of being away from home and under the stars, they with Don, Orm, and Tex enjoyed fishing, swimming and cooking in the open. - During Easter vacation a representative group of boys from the Eastern part of the island attended the 4-H camp held at the old CCC camp about two miles up the Sabana valley from the Community Center. Orm helped wi

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Zalduondo Project of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit
Luquillo, Puerto Rico, June 26, 1945

EL CENTRO COMUNAL — In the Community Center program, May was marked principally by activities related to the end of the school year, and June brought a new lineup of activities - including camping.

Children up to 12 years old - 50 of them - took part in the May party on the first Saturday afternoon of the month. After outdoor games, a king and queen were elected to preside over a spontaneous program of songs and poetry and stunts. Refreshments topped off the party, which had the help of some of the Girl Scouts.

The best velada (evening variety program) yet presented in the center could not compete with last minute torrential rains on May 19. Performers - some drenched to the skin - came from Luquillo as well as other outlying communities to set a new record for faithfulness. But spectators were less hardy, and one of the purposes of the velada and dance that followed - to raise money for the school commencement and for the boys' camp - was not so successfully met. A high spot of the entertainment was the performance of the Danish folk dance "Weaving the Wadmal" by 6 continentals and 6 puertorriquenos. Practice for this number, incidentally, developed interest in having other sessions of folk dancing.

Most of the members of the unit spent a few hours at the Sabana Second Unit School graduation exercises for sixth (intermediate) and ninth (junior high) grades on May 29. No one claims to have lasted out the whole program, however.

The final activity of the school year was the trip of the chorus of 20 junior high boys and girls to sing over radio station WIAC in Hato Rey, not far from San Juan, on the Teachers' Association program, June 3. The group was organized last September by Tex Sanders, and it has sung a number of times in the school, the center and Luquillo.

With the beginning of the vacation period, typewriting classes were reorganized with a fresh group of more than 20 students for daily practice. The craft shop has flourished, many of the boys making small pieces of furniture, toy trucks, and other articles under Orm Greene's supervision. Croquet has become a favorite game.

Mary Esther Williams (Ex) spent 2 weeks of June at the Girl Scout camp at the camp ground on the nearby Mameyes River. Orm helped with games all one week at the 4-H girls camp in the old CCC buildings at the upper end of the PRRA project. He has also continued to develop play activities in three neighborhoods of the project.

A local conjunto (musical group) - los Sultanes de Sabana - made a highly successful debut at the center when they played for the Boy Scout-sponsored dance on June 16 following a free movie. The proceeds will pay part of the expenses of the 10 local scouts who will go to the Brumbaugh Boys' camp on the Mameyes River, July 2 to 9. To help raise their money some of the boys have cut cane, one worked in the kitchen at the 4-H camp, 2 or 3 worked in the center and in the unit garden, and several saved random pennies and nickels for 2 months or more. O.S.

FLUOROSCOPO — The combination of being offered an X-ray transformer and controls from the Castaner unit, and a growing concern about tuberculosis plus the generosity of a friend in the States in providing most of the money led to the installation of a fluoroscope. For $285 the unit procured a new tube, a chest fluoroscope stand and screen, foot switch, and a special rubber-lead apron and gloves. With some slight alteration in the clinic building, a small light-proof room was provided for it. Bryn Hammarstrom spent many hours thoroughly cleaning and wiring it before it went into operation early in June. Si (Dr. Potts) is quite pleased with the results. Now in expert continental style he can literally look right through you. B.H.

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ZALDUONDO NEWSLETTER # 14
Zalduondo Project of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit
Luquillo, Puerto Rico, August 28, 1945

THE END OF THE WAR brought rejoicing here as elsewhere. It also brought questions about demobilization and the future of the project itself. The Mennonite and Brethren Puerto Rico projects with their hospitals will be continued on a missionary and voluntary service basis.

A COMBINED MEETING of Zalduondo and St. Just workers and special detail men under AFSC auspices was held at Zalduondo on Saturday night, August 11. Bryn Hammarstrom, our lab technician, was nominated to succeed Si Potts, our doctor, as director. This nomination has since been confirmed by the AFSC with the official appointment of Bryn to the directorship. At a dollar a year, Chris Ahrens, our public health worker, has been asked to serve as health education consultant with the Insular Health Department. The group endorsed his doing this job, and Mr. Andino, PRRA executive, consented as long as the relationship does not interfere with our program. Bob Dickinson told the group about his work with the Insular Committee on Design. He is designing homes for people who can pay only $5 a month rental.

THE NEW LOUNGE for the Zalduondo Unit is not especially fancy, but it should meet a long-standing need for an after-dark spot for letter writing, radio listening, reading, and games. The space was made available when the War Emergency Program closed the nursery school which occupied a fourth of the Community Center building. The new lounge has green mosquito netting over its 9 windows and is furnished with two cots disguised as couches, a table and chairs, and a fine table lamp made by Roy Schaal. Chinese red will be the accent color in the table top, window ruffles, and pillows.

SPEAKING OF ROY, we must report with regret that he left here on July 28, after two years as our efficient maintenance man, returning by boat to New Orleans (pleasant traveling, he wrote); he was going to visit his family in Wisconsin and then report to the CPS camp at Tronton, N.D.

Latest addition to our family is Helen Bissell Hammarstrom, who became the wife of Bryn Hammarstrom in a meeting for worship at the Montclair, N.J., Friends' meeting house on July 9. Helen returned to Puerto Rico with Bryn on July 25 and is now teaching English in the junior high grades of the local Second Unit School. She also has responsibility for some physical education periods, for which she has enlisted Chris's aid.

THE NEW SCHOOL TERM beginning on August 6 meant a renewal of several cooperative activities. Tex Sanders started his chorus with nearly 30 members. The Boy Scouts are ready to resume meetings. And groups of students are coming to the clinic for examinations and inoculations.

UTILIZING NATIVE MATERIALS like coconut shells, bamboo, and wood, Orm has been teaching boys and girls to make belts, buckles, buttons, and lapel pins at the Community Center. Some of the designs were inspired by Robin Harvey, who has also been working for some time on handmade shoes and instructing some of the boys. Another new activity is Orm's English class at Jerusalem Baptist Church.

The summer recreation program had a camping emphasis. Nine Scouts from Zalduondo and 10 from St. Just were among the 70 boys from the various projects of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit who spent a week at the second Brumbaugh Boys' Camp July 2, through 9 at the YMCA campsite on the Mameyes River. Tex was program director; Orm, sports leader; Don Erdman, nature instructor; and Chic Moran, a counselor. Everyone agreed that the camp was even more successful than the one held the previous summer. Mary Esther (Ex) Williams, our medical social worker, spent 10 days in July as director of the camp of the Insular Home for Girls at the same site.

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ZALDUONO NEWSLETTER #15

Zalduondo Project of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit
Luquillo, Puerto Rico, October 6, 1945

A SURVEY OF POST-DEMOBILIZATION PLANS shows that at least four members of the Friends' sub-unit of the BRU expect to remain in Puerto Rico, two of them at Zalduondo. Ike Chatham, who began the social work program at Zalduondo and who is now developing a similar program at St. Just, has outlined a project whereby a group of health and social workers, some of them to be employed by federal and insular government agencies and others to be supported by a church sponsoring agency, would live and work in the Zalduondo area. Already various agencies have indicated existing openings for which interested persons might apply. Some of the essential positions which Ike has listed are doctor, laboratory technician, nurse, medical social worker, child welfare worker, crafts instructor, consumers' cooperative promoter, recreation leader, agricultural worker, maintenance construction workers, and coordinating director. In addition, teachers are needed in the local schools. The full-time workers might be aided by young people who could come for summer work camps. Though no official commitments can be made till after the combined Protestant mission boards meet on the island the middle of November, various representatives of the Congregational-Christian Church have expressed interest in the project. A Congregational representative visited Zalduondo on September 24.

Ike himself is interested in the child welfare work, a field in which he was engaged before he was drafted. Orm Greene intends to remain in the craft work position and will spend furlough time this month working with the handicraft division of the Puerto Rico Development Company, an insular government agency.

Probably the first of our group to be "demobilized" -- under the "systematic release" procedure -- will be Bob Bogue, who will continue to work with the United States Public Health Service in San Juan (but with pay) as an epidemiologist engaged in checking the spread of venereal disease.

Woodrow Pickering is the fourth person who has definite plans for remaining in Puerto Rico, working in music education or in the food business (a restaurant or preparing a native product for export).

Brooks Stewart might stay on with the manufacture of artificial limbs for the Department of Health, but he also has in mind returning to the medical publishing field in the States.

Don Erdman is still another person who may remain in Puerto Rico. Wherever it is, however, it will be near salt water -- so that he can engage in fishing, both commercially and scientifically (gathering museum specimens).

Three men want to study more. Si Potts intends to take post-graduate training in cardiology. Chris Ahrens expects to complete his degree in engineering, probably at an eastern Friends' college. Bob Dickinson dreams of study with Frank Lloyd Wright before resuming his practice of architecture in California.

Bryn Hammarstrom prefers to settle in a town of ten to twenty thousand in the Connecticut Valley, probably working in chemistry. After traveling awhile, perhaps with his accordian, Chic Moran is thinking of producing timber commercially in the Southern mountains; sometime he would like to study music for a year. Robin Harvey is on furlough; so we can but guess that his post-CPS career will include painting and maybe the theater, both of which were pre-CPS pursuits.

In addition to the ones who are continuing along lines of their present work in Puerto Rico, there are at least four in our group who are going to spend full-time in working for the "cause". This is not to suggest that those in other occupations do not intend to find ways of expressing their pacifist philosophy in their work or in their free time. Mary Esther (Ex) Williams, who earned her M.A. degree at Haverford in special relief and reconstruction training, hopes the way will open for her to go to Europe under AFSC auspices. Tex Sanders will return to Texas to campaign for peace in a state-wide adult education program, preferably under the AFSC Peace Section. Harold Robinson will turn his business skills to the consumers' cooperative movement. Jerry Williams looks forward to further service under the Congregational missionary program, either at Pleasant Hill Academy in Tennessee, where he taught before being drafted, or in China or Africa.

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ZALDUONDO NEWSLETTER
Friends' Sub-Unit of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit
Luquillo, Puerto Rico, 17 November 45

FRIENDS WILL CEASE administration of work in Puerto Rico--and presumably all Civilian Public Service projects--on January 31. Men who have not been discharged by that date can be reassigned to the Brethren or Mennonite projects in Puerto Rico or return to government camps in the States.

ZALDUONDO PROJECT'S FUTURE as an undertaking of the Congregationalists will be decided definitely the middle of December. Following a meeting at Polytechnic Institute at San German attended by representatives ofall Protestant mission boards with work in Puerto Rico, Dr. Samuel C. Kinchelce of Chicago Theological Seminary, Dr. Fred L. Brownlee, executive secretary of the American Missionary Association, and Rev. Charles I. Mohler, director of Congregational work on the Island, visited Zalduondo on November 9 for a talk with unit members and an examination of the site. These three together with Rev. William F. Hastings, minister of Union Church in Santurce and a Congregationalist, Rufus King, BRU director, and Ike Chatham, who made the original proposal for continuation, visited representatives of the Health Department, the Agricultural Development Company, and the Land Authority. These insular government officials assured themthat they would be willing to cooperate with housing, appointment of recommended personnel, and other aspects of the program.

FIRST DEMOBILIZED MEMBER of the Friends' project was Bob Hogue, who received word of his release on November 1, while he was visiting the Zalduondo unit to show a movie for unit members. Whether the Arkansas location of the movie had any significance (Bob spent some of the best years of his life in Arkansas, he says), the room took on the atmosphere of old home week when Bryn brought the report from the central office in Rio Piedras. Bob cancelled plans to stay overnight at Zalduondo and dashed home to Lucille to share the good news. Actually Bob will continue his work with the U.S. Public Health Service (but with pay) as an epidemiologist, checking the spread of venereal disease; he expects to move his office from the Marine Hospital to the School of Tropical Medicine, where he will assist in field work training of Puerto Rican personnel in epidemiology. Next year he plans to go to Columbus, Ohio, to carry on the same type of work with the USPHS there. Bob has not let freedom spoil him; he has continued to remember his less fortunate brethren by bringing movies to us. Bryn Hammarstrom and Harold Robinson have also had their physical examinations and anticipate pre-Christmas releases. Both are four-year men.

MEDICAL SOCIAL WORK came in for intensive consideration at a special meeting of concerned workers from the various Puerto Rican sub-units of the BRU at Castaner on October 11 and 12. Chris Ahrens, Mary Esther (Ex) Williams, Bryn, and Lee represented the Friends. As a basis for discussion, Chris and Lex described the Zalduondo program; Stan and Jean Harbison told about the Castaner program in general, and John Troel outlined their new anti-tuberculosis campaign; and Dr. Arstutz talked about the need for a medical social work program at La Plata. To continue interchange of information and techniques they decided to send monthly reports to one another. Unit directors, who also held their monthly business meeting, were present at both half-day sessions of the medical social workers. Community center workers will meet in December at La Plata.

PURE WATER IS BASIC to health. Though most houses in the PRRA project have access to a piped supply (very few actually have running water in the houses), the more remote ones must depend on cisterns. A few have only a make-shift affair using a metal drum. Now under Chris's direction and with PRRA materials and labor aid, these granjeros (parcel holders) are making their own concrete cisterns. To date five have been completed. It takes a day to put up the form and another day to pour. After a day or two of drying the form may be removed.

insisted on giving him the contents of the cash drawer and stand-
ing the loss personally. The boy threw down his gun, refused the
money and explained:

"I used to like to read, but no more. Now I don't even want to look at news-
papers. I know the news. The news is corruption and murder all over the place,
every day, and not one man in the world shocked about it." He held his head in his
hands and, speaking softly, he went on without looking up. "I can't thank you for
what you've done and for the kind of human being you are," he said. "I must tell
you I would have shot you if you had been afraid of me or unkind. Everybody in the
world is afraid or unkind. I know now that I didn't come here with the gun for money.
I don't know whether you will understand, but I came here with a gun to find out
once and for all if the only man in the world I have ever known who has been decent
to another man just to be decent--just for itself--was truly so. I came to find out
if it wasn't an accident. I couldn't believe anybody could be really decent, be-
cause it made my whole feeling about everything and everybody untrue--the feeling I
have had for a long time that the human race is hopeless and corrupt, that there
isn't one man in the world worthy of being truly human, worthy of another man's
respect. For a long time I've had contempt for the pathetic as well as for the
proud, and then suddenly thousands of miles from home, in a strange city, I found a
man who was decent. It bothered me. It bothered me for a long time. I couldn't
believe it. I had to find out. I wanted it to be true. I wanted to believe it,
because I've been telling myself for years: 'Let me find one man uncorrupted by the
world so that I may be uncorrupted, so that I may believe and live.' I wasn't sure
the first time we met, but I'm sure now. I want nothing more from you. You've
given me everything I want."

In "Blessed are the Meek" a novel about St. Francis by the Polish author Zofia
Kossak, is a story of the Fifth Crusade. Francis, who had accompanied the crusade
to Egypt, was horrified and conscience stricken by the sufferings and brutality of
the war. Having appealed to the Papal Legate in vain he went directly to the Sultan.
The Sultan was impressed both by his fearlessness and by the simplicity of his faith
as he presented the Christian ideal to the all-powerful Moslem ruler. Finally the
Sultan said in reply to Francis' challenge: "I can promise you one thing: if I meet
more Christians like yourself, if I meet a hundred--nay, ten, hear you?--if I meet
ten I shall change my opinion of your Christians..."

He then permitted Francis to leave with a seal and a slave for his protection.

Later, when the crusaders had been utterly defeated, Sir Jean De Brienne, the
King of Jerusalem, was compelled to go to the Sultan to beg mercy for the Christians.
The Sultan inquired about Francis:

"Is he a man of mark among you?"

"He is but a poor man without any influence. How could he be a man of mark?
Most of our people look upon him as a half-wit. To be sure our Holy Father, the
Pope of Rome, holds him in great esteem...."

"I, likewise, hold him in great esteem," Al-Kamil said gravely. "Where is he
now?"

"He went to the Holy Land, thanks to the leave you gave him."

"I would see him again someday. Anyway remember, King, that only for his sake,
for the sake of the one and only Christian whose deeds do not belie his faith, I am
ready to spare your lives. Only because of him. I want him to remember me well.
Therefore I shall let go free not only you but all my Christian prisoners. You can
take them all with you. I have enough slaves here."

I have just come from a meeting at which the point of view of the Cleveland
Conference on a Just and Durable Peace on Dumbarton Oaks was ably presented. Many
pacifists accept this point of view, but some of us cannot. We are charged with the
new vice of Perfectionism and made to feel obstructionist. I am concerned that we
shall not accept this definition of our position and come to feel defeated. There
is no need to re-argue the various points under consideration. My concern is twofold:

First, the political immorality of presenting a military alliance for world
domination under the "good" name of world organization or the false shibboleth of
United Nations.

Second, the utter, cynical disillusionment of the argument "this or nothing."
Rather than this I am willing to be known as "perfectionist."

LAST WEEK offered little of interest or amusement in the [illegible] moments were Ann Darr's visit and Tisdale's IV-F.

THIS WEEK:

Monday:	Housing and Maintenance Committee; American Government
Tuesday:	Chorus; Workers' Committee; Education-Recreation Committee
Wednesday:	Council; Calculus; Socialist Local
Thursday:	Orchestra Rehearsal; Pottery; American Government
Friday:	Chorus; Calculus; Movie, "A Star is Born"
Saturday:	Dance
Sunday:	Meeting for Worship; Movie

BARSOTTI The exhibit of John Barsotti's watercolors came down from the walls of the dining hall this week, and the place again looks bare and barren. Though the pictures have been speaking for themselves, we feel they deserve some tribute. Here is what Bill Darr has to say:

It was the morning after the show was up. The coffee was good, and we both were enjoying a long cup before attacking the breakfast round of dishes. "Doesn't it make you feel pretty good, John, to see them all up?" I asked. "I should think it would make you feel sort of satisfied to see that you had accomplished this much."

John shrugged. "Think of it -- this is all of it -- all of a year's sweat and blood." I wanted to ask him if it had all been sweat and blood -- or if there had been a certain joy in conceiving and doing each watercolor. Certainly there must have been that, too, but I knew what he meant, -- about giving your freshest hours to slave labor and your weariest hours to your work. A free man devotes himself to his chosen field in his working time and does what is required of him in his spare time. Only a slave does what is required of him in his working time and is free in his spare time.

"It's a crime that I haven't more than this to show for a year's activity. Oh, there are a pile of drawings and a few more papers. But that's all -- and most of it done at night by lousy sixty-watt bulbs. Some days when I'd go up to Mercer's there'd be a certain spot that would hit me. Maybe it was crows flying up from a coulee, and the sky would be just right, and the light in the grass, and I'd keep mulling over it all day -- then do it at night. I'd just set it down as I felt it. I don't think about line and space and color as such. All that bookish intellectual stuff doesn't make painting. I supposed that is why I never cared for still life. Now and then I'd hit a bunch of flowers that hit my fancy, but I never wanted to fuss around and set up an artificial ordered study. You know what I mean.

"I suppose if there is anything that runs through all of my paintings, it's the soil. The land, the sky, these growing things, these forms of life, that is all a man needs to keep him forever creating new forms. I wish I could get people to know that. If I felt any picture of mine kept a single person from looking at a real tree or a sunset, I'd tear them all up. I'd destroy every one. Art is not a substitute for life.

"I'm glad that I have worked in a cornfield -- known the field when the kernals were sown, watched the green stuff come up from the earth, seen it under rain, picked the tough full ears and husked it. The crime of the city is that people are kept from knowing these things. You can go into a store and get the corn in a can and all the mystery and wonder and full body of the corn is gone."

We sat in silence a while, finished our coffee and set to with the dishes.

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LAST WEEK practically everybody on overhead was eyeing his colleagues and wondering which of them would get the axe this week in the general review of camp personnel. Hal Riegger offered to resign from maintenance, partly as a sop to his tender conscience, and partly out of the feeling that he didn't have anything to make a case out of, anyway. Others were grimly prepared to make a dash for those musical chairs the minute the music stops, as it surely will. Someone is going to be left sitting on the floor by this week's end.

THIS WEEK:

Monday: American Government; Housing & Maintenance Committee; Calculus; Co-op Study Group; Co-op Membership Meeting

Tuesday: Food Committee; Chorus Rehearsal; Workers Committee; Education - Recreation Committee

Wednesday: Camp Council; Calculus; Socialist Local

Thursday: Orchestra Rehearsal; Pottery Group; American Gov't.; Accounting

Friday: Co-op Study Group; Chorus Rehearsal; Calculus

Saturday: Movie, "The Great McGinty".

Sunday: Meeting for Worship; Movie

SIC TRANSIT Death, as so often it does in CPS, came to several camp institutions for self-improvement during the past fortnight or so. The Community School, long a-dying, gave up the ghost, officially. The German language boys, after some months of glottal stops and thumbing dictionaries, found English more satisfactory for general purposes. The Co-op Gro-op sorted its stock of communal dungarees and shirts, and went back to a system of private ownership. Seemingly undaunted by it all, another crop of institutions for self-improvement is springing up. Classes have begun in Calculus, American Government, Accounting. And a new Co-op School (at great pains to disclaim all connection with the School for Cooperative Living), is out hunting up prospects.

RINSO WHITE It pays to keep a record of things. Camp Council, for example, has found -- after a diligent search of the records -- an answer to the problem of who's who in the matter of Campor Representatives. It is definitely established, now, that Art Wiser is the alternate after all. At the same time, another angle to the case has been uncovered. Former councilmen legislated that a new election was to be held when the office became "permanently vacated." The present council is not clear what the term means, and inquiries have been dispatched to Messrs. Byerly and Willoughby to learn their definition of "permanently vacated." Will Granny Robinson's broken log haul in time for her to get to Rosie's wedding before it is too late? Don't miss tomorrow's episode in this real life human drama.

CAREFUL CONSHIE We don't think the current poster exhibit in the Dining Hall needs our comment. It is the work of assignee David (Chowderhead) Jack, formerly of Campton and N.S.B.R.O., now at Bowie, Maryland. He is founder or charter member of the International Order of Church-and Field-Mice, the Daughters of Lethargy, the Anti-Ski Club, the Patrons and Donors and other similar organizations.

WIT'S END We always did like dogs, and it seems to us there is a sort of poetic justice in the way Nooky and her friends kept the night-owlish end of Dorm IV up all of Saturday night.

"Every day we slaughter our finest impulses." -- Henry Miller

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the occasion of tears and laughter, was at last installed hilariously in the auditorium; camp music-lovers were elbowing their way to the console. And the new laundry was as near finished as, we suspect, it ever will be.

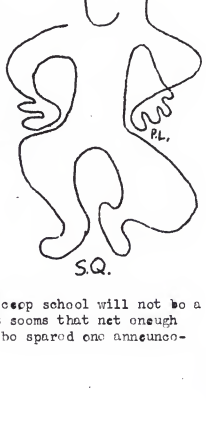
THIS WEEK:

Monday:	Housing-Maintenance Comm.; Calculus; Co-op Study Group; American Govt.
Tuesday:	Food Comm.; Chorus; Workers Comm.; Ed-Rec Comm.; Gen. Abilities Test
Wednesday:	Council; Calculus; Socialist Local and Education Program
Thursday:	Orchestra; Union; Pottery; American Govt.; Accounting
Friday:	Chorus; Coop Study Group; Calculus; Movie, "Angles Over Broadway"
Saturday:	Valentine Costume Dance
Sunday:	Meeting for Worship; Movie

POLITICAL SCENE — Two important elections are about to come off, they tell us--nominations are being accepted for the offices of assistant director and camper-representative. Frankly, we're amazed at the number who are willing to put their heads in the noose. And speaking of elections, what happened to the election for camp director that was such hot stuff a month or so ago?

UTOPIA AGAIN — By all reports, Dorm V is destined to be a model dormitory when the laundry moves out. The only question left is who is to decide what is to be the model. One faction--need we say who?--is holding out for a sort of Mennonite Manor, with Hospital Corners, Neatness, Order, Hygienic Housekeeping--a place where Mr. Hershey, Mr. Kosch, Mr. Imirie, and Uncle Victor would feel at home. Another well-organized group is lobbying for a cozy spot where art and culture and the finer things can flourish, even if they have to make their beds to get it. Our own feeling is that while the endless discussions serve a purpose in keeping some of our citizens occupied, the whole question is largely academic. We have an idea that by the time that drying-room is finished, some other, greater issue will be joined to absorb all our thought and energies.

QUIZ KIDS — Report cards were passed out this week, and it gives us a good deal of pleasure to be able to relate that all the regulars on overhead passed the recent examination. The Food Committee pondered awhile about one of the newer cooks, who was thought to talk overmuch, but since he was rated a valuable cooperative member of the staff (when people cooperate with him) a magnanimous attitude was maintained and free speech has not yet been shackled. The Housing and Maintenance Committee, too, gave a clean bill of health to all of its charges. One position was, apparently, somewhat questionably well performed, but since nobody else wanted that particular job anyway, no change was made. We like a story that came our way. It seems that one overhead man heard that the committee was going to liquidate him, and he told somebody else that somebody #1 would bash in somebody #2's face if anything of the sort happened. The amicable solution seems to us another proof--if any were needed--of the power of non-resistance.



TALK-A-THING-TO-DEATH DEPARTMENT — We hear that the new coop school will not be a school after all. It seems that not enough people were willing to cooperate. Well, at least we'll be spared one announcement from now on.

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taining was the dancing of Miss Anne [illegible] and Bob [illegible]. [illegible] and unusual costumes, such as Miss America, Gypsy Krock, and the two Mohammedan women, lent a festive air to a most successful evening.

THIS WEEK Here's what's coming up:

Monday: American Gov't.; Housing-Maintenance Comm.; CAMP MEETING: Calculus
Tuesday: Camp Chorus; Ed-Rec Comm.; Workers Comm.
Wednesday: Council; Calculus; Socialist Local and Education Program
Thursday: Orchestra; Pottery; American Gov't.; Accounting
Friday: Chorus; Co-op Study Group (also meets Monday!); Calculus
Saturday: Movie: "The Lloyds of London"
Sunday: Meeting for Worship; Movie

POLITICS AGAIN The election for a camper representative, it is rumored, will be held on Wednesday evening. . .only other excitement on the political front was the Council Election. . .selection of Director and Assistant Director still pending. . .we promise to discontinue this "department" unless the news becomes more hopeful!

COOPER CAPITULATES From Trenton fudge (look it up in Webster's, we did!) to Rochester Divinity, was the trail of the happy warrior, Wilmer Cooper, who left Friday for detached service. We trust the numerous candidates for the empty shoes realize the headaches that go with the job! The well-wishes of most of the camp were expressed to "Coop" at the informal get-together in Third Dorm last Wednesday evening, following the Mr. I.Q. program by Seawright.

RELOCATED ONCE MORE Saburo Mizutani, who prefers to be called "Sab", found CPS #94 curious and excited over his arrival last week. Sab, who originally hails from California, was placed in Tule Lake Relocation Center, August '42; released in September '43, he "relocated" in Colorado until the draft caught up with him. He is a Methodist, and friend of Perry Saito, well-known F.O.R. member.

ANGELS The usually efficient Movie Crew hastily adjusted their ads last week because an embarassing mix-up over titles. The current attraction, however, did arrive in time for double-showing Sunday. Incidentally, we believe the Movie Crew's doing one of the best jobs in camp. Their "director," away on a well-deserved vacation, headlines our new series of cartoons: "Famous Personalities." The artist, Ray Justin.

"FAMOUS PERSONALITIES" No. 1 "A-LA-SAUSKAS"

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Neal and Alex Price. Nuts, bolts and screws were the stock-in-trade of Roy "Snake-bite" Mannion before his arrival at Big Flats last August...had had a variety of jobs before that...is not a citizen of the U. S. although he has lived here since he was six years old...comes of Christadelphian background. Phil Neal, another Philadelphia Friend, worked in a Co-op before CPS...claims Havorford as alma mater. Originally at Big Flats, Alex Price first tried mental hospital life at Concord; transferred to Trenton to join the pottery group. He and Hal Riegger were instrumental in talking "pot shop" to AFSC.

THIS WEEK: A light schedule for a change

Monday: Co-op study group; Calculus; Housing & Maintenance; American Gov't.
Tuesday: Special Food Comm. Meeting; Chorus; Ed-Rec Committee
Wednesday: Council; Calculus; Socialist Business Meeting & Education program
Thursday: Workers Comm.; Orchestra; Pottery Group; Accounting; American Govt.
Friday: Chorus; Co-op Study Group; Calculus
Saturday: Movie: "The Story of Vernon and Irene Castle"-8 o'clock, Auditorium
Sunday: Meeting for Worship; Movie

KOLLEVIZ EXHIBIT Kaethe Kollevis is now an old woman of seventy-seven--an exile in Switzerland. The five wood-cuts on exhibit in the dining hall are typical of the portrayal of suffering, unspeaking humanity that has been her theme for the past fifty years. Beginning with etchings for Hauptman's Weavers, her work has steadily grown more direct and more powerful as the years have passed, and life has left its residue of tragedy and suffering in her own life even as it is in the lives of those with whom she has so completely identified herself in her art. From 1893, when she married Dr. Karl Kollevis and went with him to live and work with the poor in Berlin, she has known the life of the poor. Her sons were caught up in the insanity of the last war and one, perhaps both, were lost. The Kaiser refused her the medal she had won for her series of etchings on Hauptman's Weavers, and Hitler has withdrawn official approval of her work.

Her work is full of forboding--Death broods over most of her suffering workers and is the theme of many of her black and whites. It is almost as though she sensed the impending tragedy that was approaching--dared to face it and portray the agony that it would mean. In her lithographs and woodcuts and etchings one does not get a sense of the hope for a better day. It is the expression of a great heart: one capable of encompassing much suffering--one who accepts suffering as part of the human lot--one who finds great strength and beauty through suffering--who does not find its meaning lost. As Romain Rolland said of her, "This woman, with her great heart, has taken the people into her mothering arms with sombre and tender pity. She is the voice of the silence of the sacrificed." -W.D.

HOLLYWOOD'S "KINGDOM" Lured by the reputation of Cronin's best-seller, "Keys of the Kingdom," approximately twenty-five men signed up Friday night for a free ride to the movie version then showing in Williston. The six men with fewest trips against them were accommodated in "the Wagon," while at least nine others made the round-trip by train the same night...some went Saturday evening...casual interviewing of persons who saw the picture indicates that Hollywood deleted most of the pacifistic implications of the story...made other changes due to Catholic pressure...In spite of it all, it may turn out to be one of the best films of the current year.

APOLOGIA For the fact that our source of "news" on the matter of dances during Lent was unreliable, we are sorry. THE DITCH was in error in printing rumor as fact, since the Dance Committee has reaffirmed its intentions of holding the next camp gambol on the anniversary of St. Patrick's birth. The subject had caused some discussion among members of the Committee but a decision had apparently been reached. Our "scoop" dug too deep!

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candidate for the camp Directorship, withdrew his name Saturday night.

THIS WEEK: Committees, classes, etc.:-

Monday: Housing & Maintenance Comm.; Calculus; Co-op Study; American Gov't.
Tuesday: Mechanics; Chorus; Camp Session with Henry Williams; Ed-Rec. Comm.
Wednesday: Camp Council; Calculus; Camp Session with Dr. J. Winfield Fretz
Thursday: CPS Union; Workers Comm.; Orchestra; Pottery Group; Accounting; and
Friday: Chorus; Co-op Study; Calculus; Mechanics /American Gov't.
Saturday: Movie: "Greed" (silent film with local musical accompaniment)
Sunday: Holy Mass, Trenton; Meeting for Worship; Folk Dancing Group; Movie

ADMINISTRATIVE MERRY-GO-ROUND Election of a "new" director has probably been eliminated by the decision of Oscar Johnson to withdraw his candidacy...in a statement to THE DITCH, Oscar said: "Since Wilmer Cooper has now definitely transferred, it is evident that there must be a new man as Assistant Director; therefore, I feel the job of Director, at this time, would be a more difficult one than I would care to venture." At a special meeting Saturday evening, members of the Personnel Committee recommended (for Council consideration) that no election for the Directorship be held until December, in view of Oscar's withdrawal, and all other factors involved. Election of the Assistant Director will be held as soon as AFSC approval is received on candidates, Tuttle, Barrows, Miller and Thompson. The Personnel Committee suggested a camp meeting for discussion of Peacock's '45 plans.

FRETZ, WILLIAMS and BOULDING... Arriving Wednesday for a two-day visit will be Dr. J. Winfield Fretz of the Mennonite Central Committee...formerly instructor of social sciences at Bethel College, Dr. Fretz is considered well-informed on Mennonite history and religious faith...also interested in all rural life movements. Henry Williams, chairman of the Williams County Farmers' Union, is scheduled to talk Tuesday evening at an open meeting of those interested. Mr. Williams, who has been with us before, has many friends in the camp...Kenneth Boulding, author of the recent volume, "The Economics of Peace" and the widely read pamphlet, "The Practice of the Love of God," will be here March 22-29. He is a young Oxford graduate, with keen spiritual insights.

DORM V INVADED First of the new occupants of legendary "Dorm V" moved last week into the north half of the middle sector...south half of the new "territory" will be ready as soon as the terrain is cleared of miscellaneous material in storage there...This sector has been mapped out by the faithful band of potters from The Morgue, who have designs on the new quarters...their plan goes before the High Command (Housing & Maintenance) this week. Pros and cons on the new-style Riegger-built cabinets will be welcomed. We hope this means an "armistice" on the whole matter!

MUSICAL MISCELLANY Our tears flowed like wine as we heard the dance-band rehearsing for the Shamrock Day Dance...Martin's recital, moved up a week from the originally scheduled date, has now been indefinitely postponed due to Bob's recent mishap on project...Gilbert and Sullivan seem to have gained a foothold in the dining hall...when can we expect an appearance of the "Bach Choral Society"??huh?...the annual Easter concert of the camp chorus is slated for Good Friday (March 30th)...everything musical hinges on the piano-tuner, whose arrival is imminent, daily!

WORDS-AT-WAR Attempting to secure a new dictionary for the library, Ed-Rec Sec'y, Stalvey, is having his troubles. The College Book Exchange (Toledo) reports that Websters' are being rationed, and they have none available; also are temporarily out of Funk & Wagnall's...efforts are being made now to see if "words" are on rations in the Chicago area.

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first night's showing of "Greed"...a delicious Swedish rye bread appeared on the menu...CPS #94 was once again back to its "norm."

THIS WEEK: Take it or leave it!

Monday: Housing & Maintenance; Calculus; Co-op Study; American Gov't.
Tuesday: Food Comm.; Mechanics; Chorus; Ed-Rec. Comm.; LAST DITCH staff
Wednesday: Council; Calculus; Socialist Business & Education Meeting
Thursday: Workers Comm.; Orchestra; Pottery; American Gov't.; Accounting
Friday: Co-op Study; Chorus; Calculus; Mechanics; Movie: "Nothing Sacred"
Saturday: St. Patrick's Day Dance
Sunday: Meeting for Worship; Movie

LOCAL YOKELS Four local farmers' unionists addressed two meetings in camp Tuesday night of last week...the triple-decker in Dorm IV was moved outside for the first "bull" session, giving more room for the floor show by Chris and Rover...Coffee and snacks followed more formal talks on farmers' unions and Co-ops. Mr. Solberg got back to Crosby, Mr. Glimm back to Zahl, and Hank Williams back to Appam, all in the same night (Mr. Johnson lives in Williston)... ten local Socialists (capital S-es) got in to the big city, by devious ways, to attend an old-time Town Meeting on the MVA...Two wives of campers and 700 other people delved into all the angles until eleven Thursday night. -TT

STEIN SONG... Candidate candidate where? where are you where are you...Are you going...going...going; Philadelphia pigeons, pigeons on the grass. I like Trenton...Trenton grass..."yellow" grass...Peacocks on the "yellow" grass. New men and spring...spring, spring, two new men and spring...which two men?... do you care? Tom cares...Dick cares...director's cares and woes; woe, woe and more woe. WHOA! (apologies to Gertrude)

HELLO, 'FRISCO, HELLO! That Dumbarton Oaks is no insurance for a peaceful world is becoming increasingly clear...Hanson Baldwin bluntly faces it in the March HARPER's, "The preservation of tomorrow's peace depends, not upon the new League of Nations, but upon the three great powers...and upon the agreements reached among those three...outside the framework of the Dumbarton Oaks agreement." Twenty-five days after Easter the eyes of the world will be upon San Francisco where delegates of the Allied powers will gather to reshape a world scared in its boots. Casablanca, Teheran, Yalta, San Francisco...?...? What next?

DITCH GOES TO HILL! "Dear Sirs: I received your letter with the refund. I was glad to hear from you. I am very thankful of your statement. But hope that you will remember me if you should have a publication. I would like to have a copy of THE LAST DITCH. I like to keep in touch with the men in Civilian Public Service...enclosed is a money order for five dollars ($5.00)...." Signed, L. V. Hill, Talladega, Alabama. To Mr. Hill, a continuing "subscription" to THE DITCH! (and a box of Milky Ways to the gentleman, if we had some to share) ...The gift of the five-spot has been turned over to GSFund.

STORK NEWS SERVICE AD The Stork News Service, with headquarters in Chicago—"managed" by Bernice and Dick Plettau—in their first release, announced a nine pound six ounce son, born Tuesday, March 6th. Richard James is the first of the "1945 Crop" about which we wrote in last week's DITCH. Peace, Brother!

STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN St. Patrick got rid of the snakes in Ireland; but you may have to wriggle into the dance Saturday night (Mar. 17) if it's as good as its producers claim...Easter concert of the chorus shifted from Good Friday to Easter Sunday evening...Martin's recital is scheduled again; this time it will be Friday, April 13th or Sunday, 15th...J. Holmes Smith of the Harlem Ashram, who was kicked out of India by the British because of his views, will be in camp April 7-10.

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sausage, no liver, no heart, no beef..."

THIS WEEK back to routine classes, committees, and hookey, with Reed (ing) and Bow (u) l (d) ing added...

Monday: H. & M. Comm.; Co-op Study; Calculus; and American Gov't.
Tuesday: Food Comm.; Chorus; Mechanics; Ed.-Rec. Comm.; Arrival of Spring
Wednesday: Council; Calculus; Socialist Business and Education Meetings
Thursday: Orchestra, Workers' Comm.; Pottery, Amer. Gov't.; Accounting, Mid-/week Mtg. for Worship
Friday: Chorus; Co-op Study; Meeting with Kenneth Boulding; Calculus, Mechanics
Saturday: Orchestra; Movie: "Anna Christie"
Sunday: Holy Mass (Trenton), Meeting for Worship, Folk Dancing Interest /Group; Movie

TUTTLE TOPS TICKET With three votes over the combined total of the other three candidates, Russ Tuttle was confidently elected Cooper-of-the-keys in the balloting for Assistant Director on Wednesday. 102 out of a possible 133 campers voted...Amused and addled associates tried to teach Tuttle tricks of the trade, as he fiddled with figures, files, finance and fingernails. Most carefree man in CPS Office last week was Del Seawright.

BUT FRUGAL Red faces fell when it was announced that frugal meals wrought only small financial wonders...12¢ per empty mouth is all they bring to Socialist coffers...but some 20 odd Socialists hoped to stay 'way from the fish for three months. -TT

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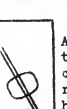
E I N G a month that comes in like a lion on the first, goes out like a lamb on the thirty-first, and has most of us out on our feet by the fifth-teenth. Among the better known manifestations of spring are: Daffodils A daffodil is a large, yellow flower that flutters and dances in the breeze. The hot-house daffodil is especially large, being best described as a buttercup in a zoot suit. Showers: April showers are supposed to bring May flowers. Other things they bring are muddy shoes, shrunken topcoats, floods, and July double-headers. Spring fever: Spring feever is something that after you have taken aspirin, sucked cough drops, gargled salt water, absorbed sulphur and molasses, drunk lots of fruit juices, consulted your doctor, bought $4.85 worth of medicine prescribed and gone to bed, your friends tell you you should do something for. Poems: Since time immemorial spring poems have blossomed out along with the crocuses and hyacinths, but nowadays the poets are either, (A) piloting dive bombers, (B) putting rivets in tanks, or (C)writing radio scripts for the OWI. Accordingly I will do the S. P. myself, keeping it brief to suit modern economy needs:'Young Man's Fancy' In spring the male thinks of the female and wants his she-mail sent by V-mail!"-Parke Cummings in WOMAN, April '45

B E F O R E I W A K E

Scene: Morning. Watchman shouts, "Biscuits, eggs, coffee..."You wake hungry. A bell clangs. Time: 6:45. After hurried washing you make the Mess Hall. At the table you look for biscuits, eggs...none. Go to the counter. A long line is waiting outside a barricade. You too wait, and watch. Cook asks first man: "How you like eggs?" Picks up egg. Knocks on it. Asks: is anybody in? No answer. Smiles fondly... Puts egg in water. Time: 7:00. Everybody waiting. Water boils... Cook carefully watches time. Replaces egg. You wait and watch. Cook gives first man eggs and biscuits. Man leaves nappily. You move up. Cook asks same question. Repeats procedure. Time: 7:15. You shift weight. Second man receives platter, leaves. Move up. Same question, procedure. Time: 7:30. Bell rings. Breakfast officially over,you wonder where your appetite is. Lose temper. Man leaves with platter,you move on. Cook asks question. Taps egg. Drops in water. Smiles kindly You shake barricade. Cook shakes head sadly. You mutter. Cook joyously gives you eggs, biscuits. You rush to table. Everybody grabs. You grab. Loud noise of rapid eating, drinking. Questioned:"What kept you so long?" You scream. Grab lunch. Rush out. Day started happily. -PL

H A H N & CO. Mr. Bach will go to town next Sunday evening when the camp chorus, under the direction of Stan Hahn, presents its annual Easter concert. Included on the program are "Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring," "Now Let All the Heavens Adore Thee" and "Death I do not Fear Thee"-all by Johann Sebastian Bach. Other numbers will be "Gloria Patri" by Palestrina, Mozart's "Ave Verum" as arranged by Bob Martin,"Cherubic Hymn" by Gretchaninoff, and "Praise Ye the Father" by Tschaikowsky. Oscar Johnson, violinist,will also be heard at Sunday night's concert.



B L O C K B U S T E R S Leevern Johnson claimed they did not jump around quite as much this time as on the previous occasion. But counting blocks still seems to some fellows to be for pre-school children. And how many persons would know that "saltatory" did NOT mean a seasoning? But evidently Trenton-ites have a particular flare for tests. About the same number took the one brought by Charlie Read last week as the one given by Advertiser Seawright some time back. Forty-six men indicated a desire to take test, which according to Charlie,is more than in any other camp where he has been. -BS

C P S Philosophy?

Wisdom is knowing what to do-
Skill is knowing how to do it.
And virtue is not doing it!

Approval by all the agencies except SS (a mere routine,of course) has been given to four Trenton assignies for the Smokejumpers outfit. Word came through the other day that Christopherson,Pfeiffer, Piepenburg, and Schilpp had been approved. 'tis rumored that Chris may pull a Tekla (assuming SS approval)...after all, a lot of things can change in a year's time,even including the establishment of matrimonial ties. A number of men have indicated interest in the new Methodist unit (also needing that SS OK)which is to be located just out of Chicago. -BS

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fifteen, Socialist business meeting and education program beginning at eight-thirty; Thursday the orchestra tunes up at seven and the Workers' Committee also, pottery group at seven-thirty, accounting and American Gov't. classes at eight; Friday it's co-op study and the chorus at seven, with the movie: "It's Love Again" showing at eight, calculus and mechanics classes; Saturday ushers in the Spring Dance; Sunday: Holy Mass (Trenton), Meeting for Worship in camp, an afternoon session with J. Holmes Smith of the Harlem Ashram, and movie at eight.

IN THE WIND were the forthcoming election of the Ed-Rec Secretary, and selection of a dietitian for the six months' period beginning May 1. Candidates for Ed-Rec Secretary are in and election imminent; the dietitian will be selected at the April 24 meeting of the Food Commitee. Director's election is still up in the air despite voluminous correspondence between Trenton and Philly.

POSSESSED OF DEMONS was the impression Canby Jones first had of Kenneth Boulding, Quaker economist, who with his wife Elise, spent a week in camp...after informal sessions on Sunday, discussion of "Feeding problems of the post-war period" on Tuesday night, a pot-shot at Socialism and general economic theory Wednesday evening, and a session on the relationship between economics and religion on Thursday night, most men were convinced we had met a unique couple...possessed of rare spiritual insight...An accomplished cellist, Elise shared several hours with a small group one evening during their visit. An economics professor at Iowa State College (Ames), Kenneth is also the author of several pamphlets on religious philosophy.

"ARS GRATIA ARTIS" brought unusual attendance for the illustrated lectures of Raymond Stites, Antioch art prof, during his visit last week..."American Art" was the theme of Sunday's session...the development of printing was presented in an impromptu lecture on Monday afternoon (a weather day)..."Leonardo da Vinci" was the subject of Monday evening's meeting...informative, yet humorous in his approach, Stites held the attention of his listeners with his popular presentations.

SCAPEGOATS last week were members of the Socialist local who got it from all angles...Kenneth Boulding, an ex-Socialist, told why... Vince Schwoyer, in public letter, lovingly asked a few pertinent questions ...while in the Socialist-dominated Fourth Dorm, rear, "Nooky" labored on the night shift and litter-ally sent the Socialist family to the dogs. Nonchalant papa Rusch joined the Christopherson scavenger crew to keep Nooky and family alive.

OVERHEAD JAM resulted in sweeping changes last week when Seawright was drafted with the mop-and-broom squad...with short-notice additions to the "SQ" list, Tuttle developed a headache...in the CPS Office the Wilmer Cooper Memorial Sweeping Schedule was inaugurated...the Kitchen and Dining Hall looked brighter, in spite of the weather, with Bob Emeott in the role of clean-up man.

HOBBY HORSES are popular in CPS #94, as is evident by a recent project undertaken by THE LAST DITCH...over 75 percent of the men in camp listed "reading" or "study" as one of their hobbies; over forty other leisure-time activities are followed by campers, from agates and aeroplanes to trucking and wood-working...a listing of the activities and the men interested in them will be made available soon.

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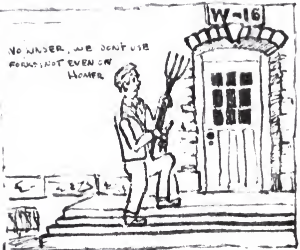
This will probably be the [illegible] issue [illegible] about seven of our fellows, namely: Pemberton, McEvers, Coffin, Sasser, Vessey, Bullock, and Korty. We hope everyone finds greener pastures wherever he goes. Good luck.....

ATTENTION TO: Letters to Lou Schneider (the meeting) and [illegible] revision of the SS Act concerning C. O.'s are on the bulletin board for your perusal.........

IS ACTION WHAT YOU WANT IN CPS? Consult Bullock for membership data on CPS Union.

N E E D E D -- Any interested person to serve on the advisory committee of the Prison Service Committee. Reports on visits to various prisons and minutes of the last Committee meeting are in the CPS Office.



Let it be said: that we did accomplish something at the meeting last Wednesday. Kinser promptly received his chance to do night work, effective immediately (16 & 17).

DR. PERRY CHANGES AS THE WEATHER. . . . After the three days elapsed for Dr. Perry to set a definite time limit on the life of our unit he was conferred with. This is the decision: The unit strength will be lowered to 10 men and these poor souls can expect to remain here for some time to come.

OUR MEDICAL CARE A RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HOSPITAL . . . . . From Dr. Andy Burgess this summary on medical and dental service as changed in Directive #4. It is assumed that the medical officer of the institution will interpret "such medical and dental attention as may be necessary to maintain health and working capacity--with considerable liberality and that in these instances where the institution does not afford facilities for adequate medical and dental care, they will make provision and payment for such services from outside sources. It is our belief that SS contemplated this part of arrangement in drafting this new directive. Effective at once, we should like to announce it is our policy to continue to assist financially in the medical and dental care of CPS assignees, but only where the care is unavailable under the provisions of Directive #4.

Be sure to sign the payroll soon.

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L E T T E R S T O C O N G R E S S M E N : Hats off to Chuck McEvers and John Sasser who have written 33 and 22 letters respectively to Congressmen protesting Peacetime Military Training. Should all seventeen men of the unit write 33 letters, there'd be a total of 561 letters. . . actually there has been just a little over 100. . . . If every man in CPS were to write 33 letters, an avalanche of no less than a quarter million protests would smother Capitol Hill. The big shots who are in the know say that letters can register a powerful protest. We don't believe in bullets, but any C. O. can be mighty effective with a pen.

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Volume III

FOOD AGAIN!

October 21, 1945! Glick and Tuttle were the first to headfor the hills. The next week saw the departure of most of the men included in the experiment listed on Lab records as SS 45.

Twelve souls stayed on for further research into rehabilitation. Five thousand calories a day with unlimited food on week ends soon resulted in weight gains sufficient to bring most men back to their original weight. You should have heard the grumbling when the two evening "snack" sandwiches were cut from the diet, but even this was mild compared to the howls that went up when morning bread rations were cut from six to two slices and when one meal was cut from the former two "specials" at noon.

The phenomenal increase in weight as well as well stuffed bodies combined to lower Johnson times halfway through November, but Lab imposed exercises led by Blick and Villwock plus a half hour daily on the treadmill soon reversed the trend. Finally on the day of the last Johnson, Wilsnack and Summers reached the five minute mark and Villwock, not to be outdone would have died rather than fail to equal them. Blickenstaff reached the end of the rope at 4:49, just one second before Carlson would have bellowed the traditional "10 seconds".

After a few weeks of gluttony in late October and early November, the men toned down in food interest, not eating more than 10,000 calories a day on the ensuing Saturdays and Sundays. The Lab at one period tried to see just how much food the men could eat and tried to feed Mundy, Wallace and Liljengren 11,500 calories daily for three days. "I-always-eat-slow" Mundy was full to the gills at the end of the second day and both Phil and Bill had to admit defeat early on the third day. The pile up was just too much.

Guinea pigging became fun once again. We got to know one another again and even McCullagh's (McCurragh" in the Liberty article) dry jokes began to seem humorous. New interests prevailed. Villwock started playing the accordion fiercely and he, Blick and Patterson led a number of folk dances. This led them to rate a full page in the Sunday Tribune along with Summers, Mundy and McCullagh in exhibition pictures of "University students" at a square dance. (continued on page 2)

STATEMENT ON THE WORLD FOOD SITUATION

As a result of the semi-starvation experiment, the Laboratory has become quite interested and actively involved in the problems of international food supply and how they should be met. Over the past several months, various members of the Laboratory have addressed selected audiences, and the Guinea Pig Gazette is happy to present this summary statement which has been prepared by Dr. Keys and is appended to this issue.

CAMPUS FOOD DRIVE

Members of the unit have taken an active part in the University of Minnesota Food For Freedom drive, from the overall committee, to speaking at sororities, selling tags and eating the starvation special at the Union (potato soup, 1 slice bread, black coffee for two noon meals). The student drive raised over $7,500 and the ensuing faculty drive almost matched that amount. Money is only part of the need, however, and the campaign publicity has helped bring pressure on the government, activate other campus' drives, and to make people aware of the problem, eat less, cut down on wheat foods and support rationing.

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THE DOPE SHEET

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THE FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION will hold an open meeting for the discussion of policy on Thursday, January 10th from 4 to 9 p.m. at 1515 Cherry Street. CPSmen are encouraged to attend to give their views about the formation of legislation which the F.C.N.L. should press for in matters of mental hygiene, prison reform, and the freedom of conscience. The hour from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. is to be set aside for the concerns of CPSmen.

THE EDSEC election is now underway, closing at 6 p.m. on Monday, January 7th. Please don't forget to NUMBER your choices (plural) in 1-2-3 order, otherwise your ballot must be thrown out. The present incumbent edsec poked thru the ballot box today and discovered that 15% of the ballots cast were thus invalidated. If you wish to repair your error, see Geo. Little and let him use his crutch for democracy.

AMNESTY FOR C.O. PRISONERS, a matter which should bring up some sympathy on our part, has a lot of representative literature on the bulletin board. Have you seen it?

HAVE YOU SEEN the article in this week's TIME on C.O.'s in mental hospitals?

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE agenda for the January 7th meeting: safety coverage; "B" building chargemen; orientation; new assignments; off ward jobs.

THE SCORING of parts of the Strong Vocational Interest Test, which many of us took some time ago, has been found to be incorrect. The correct scores are now available for those who are interested enough to see the persec and find out about them. These new results will no doubt change the "profile" and the persec will be glad to discuss these changes at any time.

IT IS STILL NECESSARY to have outside jobs approved by Selective Service. If you have taken an outside job recently and have not filled in the required form (name of employer, hours of work, etc.) see the persec for this document which is necessary if your job is to be considered "in bounds". Keep this in mind, too, if you take a job in the future. It would also be helpful to know if and when previously reported jobs have been dropped....tell the persec.

A BIG ADDRESSING JOB ON ANTI-CONSCRIPTION MAILING IS THE PROJECT OVER THE WEEKEND FOR THIS C.P.S. UNIT. SEE THE EDSEC IN Cottage one office AND GET A SUPPLY OF ENVELOPES AND ADDRESSES TO WORK ON AT HOME, IF YOU PREFER. But see, if you can, that you manage to do something to help, and before Monday.

ALL INTERESTED in subscribing to Consumers Union Reports and Buying Guide service at a reduced rate can get in on a deal, providing they speak to Floyd Greenleaf before January 10th.

WEDNESDAY EVENING NEXT, "U.B." Baily is visiting us and going to talk briefly. "Mam" will be along, too, won't you be present? (Incidentally, next Baily Farm weekend is to be Feb. 1-3.)

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THE EDDE SHEET

THIS WEEK the number of men leaving the CPSUnit exceeds by one the number arriving. In detail, the records look like this. Discharged: Jim Andrews, Herschel Dyer, Bud Gordon, Curt Rankin, and Warren Sawyer. Newly arrived: Andrew Hain, Lindsay Haydon, David Line, and Stanley Sommer.

GETTING BACK to a custom of these pages, the edsec will herewith offer a few comments on reading noticed as being acceptable to CPSmen. For a long time he's thought that Wystan Hugh Auden was the coming poet of our generation, and now the Christian Century confirms this in an editorial (Jan. 16th issue). The lead book review that Auden wrote for the Dec. 23rd New York Times is worth the careful reading you may some day be able to give it...it ranks on a par with Simone Weil's article on "The Iliad: a Poem of Force" which appeared in the December issue of Politics. *** Gerald Heard's latest book, The gospel according to Gamaliel, is a somewhat more difficult book to read than The robe and The Nazarene, but it is written using the same plot...one that cannot be lightly overlooked even in the 20th century. *** M. Searle Bates' Religious liberty: an inquiry, may sound stodgy, but it is the stuff of which social action is made. For those who are interested in doing something about the problems of freedom,(or the lack of it), here are some documents with which you can meet all comers. *** Since it is now 1946, mention should be made again of those perennial indispensibles, Human nature and enduring peace and Huxley's The perennial philosophy. *** The books mentionned here are all available, either in the CPS libraries, or in the edsec's office.

THERE IS POSTED an interesting memo on the matter of safety coverage. Thi whole subject is frequently discussed by Council and by small groups. Watch for a tap on the shoulder from someone soliciting your efforts; or, better still, come around, speak to your councilmen, unit staff, etc.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE agenda for its meeting on January 21st includes: new assignments, B building chargeman, orientation, and safety coverage.

RAW MATERIAL for a history of CPS, its growth, flowering, and demise is being collected. Fred Tolles and Bob Beach are looking for all help they can find in gathering these facts. Should you feel like recording a particularly juicy incident or two for the files, please do so. The edsec will furnish paper and a pencil and any other assistance you may ne

AND THIS LAST ITEM in the dopesheet this week is somewhat in the nature of recording such an incident in the annals of CPS Unit #49.

There was recently one evening quite a discussion, the issue being the peace and quiet of one group and the very life of another. This evening stretched well into morning, as a matter of fact it was two a.m., when both parties became most aware of their problem. One part of our CPSmen were trying to sleep after their hard day on the wards and before the dawn of the next grind beginning at six a.m. Another segment had lately concluded their nine hour stint at eleven p.m. and were having a bit of recreation, innocently enough, in the fashion of a party held in Cottage Five. Within the confines of this small cottage the two factions became annoying to each other; and the dilemna grew, more by looks and

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January 24, 1946

Dear Friend:

Our Wednesday Evening Program schedule for the past few weeks has been intermittant, however we are commencing a new period of definite engagements and are more anxious than before to have you visit our unit and share the entertainment with us. You will find that many new CPS men have arrived here at this Philadelphia Unit from the closing camps and so that we have an additional reason for hoping that you will be able to renew our acquaintance. The planned programs are:

January 30th- Miss Dorothy Hutchinson - "From Fear Towards Confidence". Dr. Hutchinson has given this talk elsewhere in Philadelphia and it has been suggested by some that she speak to us in the same vein. She is active with the International League for Peace and Freedom and the American Peace Terms Committee.

February 6th - Paul Harris, Jr. - "Observations on C.P.S." Paul Harris, Jr. is a world traveller and liberal international commentator of wide experience. He has long been in this CPS Unit and has arranged to meet with us on this date while he is on a tour.

February 13th - Albert L. Baily, Jr. - Baily is one of the oldest friends of the CPS Unit. On this visit we have asked him to let us share some of his recent thinking, but mainly he is coming in a sort of return visit after the several times many of us have stayed at the Baily Farm in West Chester.

You are welcome to our cottages at all times, of course, but on these evenings especially we are sure that you will find a congenial group and a good program. Coming out from town the Somerton bus leaving the Bridge Street terminal at 6:55 p.m. (or the 6:43 or 7:08 Langhorne buses) arrives at the Hospital on time for the seven-thirty meeting.

Cordially, for the whole CPS Unit.

George T. Little

George T. Little
Educational Secretary

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Not original but still timely: HISTORY

Mexico, Mo., March 12-- The editorial section of the Mexico Evening Ledger yesterday was headed: "The Complete History of Man?"

But there was no text. Beneath the headline was a large space, blank except for three words: "A dam to Atom"

Kaz. Miller, old timer in the labor movement and on the staff of the United Steelworkers of America, CIO, will conduct a discussion next Wednesday in Cottage 1. He will tell about some of his more interesting experiences in organizing and he will discuss this whole business of labor and the use of force and violence. He will be worth your time, so plan to come and bring your kinfolk and friends.

MORE OF THE SAME: If you haven't turned in your Unit Poll Sheet, fill it out and leave it in the box in Cottage 1. While in Cottage 1 how about nominating a good man or non for the Camp Council. Two are to be elected. Nominations close on March 20th. The Council might come in handy to have around soon.

WHAT DO YOU WANT, BLOOD? Yes, the Blood Donor Center at 2623 South 46th Street is paying $10 for ward patients, $15 for semi-private patients, and $ 25 for private patients (talk about your class distinctions).

DR. R. D. GILLESPIE, a British Psychiatrist says: "Competitiveness and aggressiveness are the dominant themes of our culture--those which app ear most productive of neuroses.

The Office has about 50 copies of "What About the Conscientious Objector?" (those of us not on the list to be discharged wonder about that too). They are available for the asking in Cottage 1. They will be good source material for stories for or to your grandchildren. Also available is a number of copies of "Shall Europe Starve?" by MacDonald, Dwight. This is good stuff to mail to your over-fed friends.

EVEN IF YOU ARE THINKING OF DEMOBILIZATION there is still a crying need for your letters in Washington: (1) Write to James Byrnes, Secretary of State, State Department, Washington DC and ask for a constructive foreign policy which will secure the international abolition of conscription and world-wide disarmament. Urge him to stop advocating universal military training and work instead to get the United Nations Assembly to consider the question of disarmament.

Indicate your support of the Martin-Hoey Resolution, and Senator Tyding's resolution for disarmament.

(2) Write to your Congressmen and Senators stating your opposition to military control of the atomic bomb. Urge them to push instead, H.R. 5230 (the Collor Bill written by the Socialist Party) which provides for social control of the industrial uses of atomic energy and outlawing of its military uses.

OUR "MORAL" FOR THE WEEK: "Principles have no real force except when one is well fed." Mark Twain said that.

And G. B. Shaw said or defined Education: "Every fool believes what his teachers tell him, and calls his credulity science or morality as confidently as his father called it" divine revelation."

Until next week.

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C.F.S. 1.4, Stockley, Delaware, January 7, 1946

The Schedule:

Monday--Evaluations committee meeting, Messick right after Chris' supper. Glenn Hawthorne due from Elkton and Nebraska!

Tuesday--Elmer Goetz due from Elkton and Philadelphia.

Wednesday--Unit meeting. Messick, 7 p.m. Let's get together to get acquainted with the new men and give them the low down from all our Departments. Refreshments.

Thursday--How about some bridge, Allen?

Friday--Town trip.

Saturday--

Comments:

Food for Europe--Acknowledging our contribution for November, "We are happy to inform you that your check made it possible to send food packages in to German friends. This was arranged by one of our representatives in Switzerland...first time..possible to help German friends in this way...permitted under special arrangement ...does not mean mail service to Germany..open.." There's a file on the magazine rack with material on the European food situation. Current stuff will be in it. It would be good to see more concern to work on Congress or to participate in the unit food packages contributions. Monthly contributions for December should be in to me now.

Coming and going--Booth gets back Monday along with new arrival Glenn Hawthorne. Don is scheduled for a discharge physical tomorrow. Glenn is a Quaker from Nebraska with three years in C.F.S. last September. Elmer Goetz, Quaker from Philadelphia, with one year in camps, arrives Tuesday. George Snyder is off on leave, hoping his discharge will be in before he is due back Wednesday night.

Post C.F.S. plans--this is the ed and parsec's particular job now--to do anything you want that I can to help with your plans. Let me know if there is any particular information I can chase down. New pamphlet from Philly gives resume of AFSC plans to help including financial aid and lists of local area demobilization committees. Look at it Wednesday night if you are interested.

Peacetime conscription--Looks like they'll turn now in Washington to the American Legion plan for summer training in camps with other time in N.Y.T.C., National Guard, etc. Those in favor think the compromise will mass the educational objections. But it's still conscription for military training and the more active we are in expressing our opposition the greater the chance of keeping it from being passed. Folder with current stuff on this on the magazine rack, too.

Shall we renew our subscription to the Times for six months, more, or less? Let me know your desires. No response means it stops.

I think Harry would welcome ping-pong players at Davies any night. Anybody is free and feels like playing. We've just bought 10 new balls. You might as well help break them.

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The Schedule:

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Tuesday-John Griffith and Kenneth Stevens of William Penn College, Oscaloosa, Iowa, will be here to talk to any men who are "seriously interested in higher education, whether as teachers or students." The men are both students of William Penn.

Wednesday-Ping pong at Davies. Harry promises ice cream if the gang gathers.

Thursday-Bridge? Wright will probably be gone Friday night

Friday-Town trip

Saturday-

The comments:

Discharges--where are they? Snyder's heart trouble is apt to really get serious soon. Don's application is in and his activities indicate he's expecting to leave.

Engagement-Don has finally done it--not much surprise, of course. Tentatively, he and Lois Pitkin planning a March 9 wedding. Don will be working as New England Regional Director of American Youth Hostels, Inc. after his discharge--probably!

Comings and goings--Hawthorne and Goetz got here and are settled into the dairy barn and maintenance jobs. Oscar spent the weekend with friends at Fruitland, Md. Wright finally got away for a weekend, too. Chris expects to be going home this week for a few days.

Forgot to mention that Hawthorne became engaged on his way East, so there are two of them in the unit.

Sawyer

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ZALDUONDO NEWSLETTER #17

Zalduondo Project of the Brumbaugh Reconstruction Unit
Luquillo, Puerto Rico, April 10, 1946

This is our swan song, for the Friends C.P.S. Caribbean work has been liquidated in line with the decision of the Service Committee to withdraw from administration of C.P.S. But in a larger sense that cannot be done. It is impossible to put aside our experiences and forget our friends and their problems. Wherever we are, we cannot but be interested in Puerto Rico, giving our support and understanding.

Though the Friends are withdrawing, Zalduondo is yet in good hands. Ike Chatham became so interested in the work that he has sold the Congregationalists on the project and they have now taken over. Orm Greene plans to return when he is released in order to develop a small home industry. Ike is now in the process of lining up personnel to fill out the necessary staff. We are glad to see that the community will not be left "high and dry" and wish them the best of luck.

Things started popping in Puerto Rico in November and there wasn't a dull moment from then on. Releases began to come through. Bogue was first, but he continued, at a salary this time, in the work he developed for the United States Public Health Service while in CPS. Lucile resigned at the end of February from the nursing staff of the Crippled Children's Home to keep house in San Patricio with the traditional Bogue hospitality.... Tex, arriving in mid-December in the States, was the first to do so as a "free" man. At an AFSC staff meeting in March, Ray Newton reported on his and Tex's plans for the Peace Section in Texas. ... "Ex" Williams returned to Detroit before Christmas, made the society column about her work in Puerto Rico, and is now in training at Pendle Hill for service in Central Europe.... Harold Robinson, in a desperate attempt to get home before Christmas, flew to Miami, only to get in a train wreck on the way north. He got home in time all right, but with a very painful back injury. He is now with the Co-op in Madison, New Jersey.... Woody Pickering received his release papers in time to start teaching English and music the second semester at Polytechnic Institute, San German.... In the middle of January, Brooks Stewart, Chris Ahrens, Don Erdman and Bryn all received their discharges. Brooks, Jane and the baby flew home so that Brooks could begin work at once with Lippincott Publishers.... Chris and Don are on a cruise to the Lesser Antilles in a 36-foot yacht, before returning to the states on the same boat.... Bryn and Beppy stayed on to close up the unit.

Not only were we losing men by discharge, but by transfer as well. Early in December the Potts family and Robin Harvey went to Castaner, the former making a dramatic exit in the Castaner ambulance with a few (7) things they had accumulated.... Robin (discharge due this month) is working in the out-patient department of the hospital.... Si stayed three months, but is now reporting to Catonsville (Md.) Mental Hospital. Nan and Suzie are with him while Nan awaits an addition to the family due in June.... Jerry moved to the Central Office in January to help Rufus King. This allowed him to continue part-time teaching of science and math at the Robinson School in Santurce.... Orm and Chick transferred to Catlinburg in late January. Bob Dickinson suddenly transferred to Glendora to finish out his CPS career there.

Though there was a rapid decline of personnel the last two months, we did not forget the project. At St. Just, Ike was able to complete his campaign against TB, patch testing some 1,200 children. The socio-economic survey was done with the help of students from the University of Puerto Rico. It is planned that the

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